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REPORT OF BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

BY REV. MARTIN BALL

The Mississippi Convention met in the meeting house of the First Church McComb November 16, 1920. At the opening hour there was a large delegation present. The entertainment committee was faithful in placing the messengers in their homes. Every one seemed to be perfectly satisfied with the appointment.

MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

The Ministers' Conference was called to order by President M. J. Derrick. "O Happy Day," was sung. Prayer was offered by N. W. P. Bacon, of Itta Bena. The devotions were led by J. F. Tull, of New Albany. Prayer was offered by J. A. Rogers, of Amory. Sung "There is a Fountain."

Dr. J. A. Taylor was elected President and S. A. Wilkinson, Clerk. Martin Ball was elected Press Reporter. Dr. E. C. Dargan, editor of the Sunday School quarterlies of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., was requested to speak. He referred tenderly to his early life and Seminary experiences. Martin Ball, of Clarksdale, led the Convention in prayer.

Rev. E. J. Casswell, of West Point, discussed the subject, "Maintaining Public Worship." He gave several ways by which we can maintain public worship. The most important thing is to preach. Let the sermon be first—A strong sermon will attract a congregation. Dr. W. F. Yarborough, of Hattiesburg, discussed the subject, "Organizing the Forces for Effective Services." He dwelt on co-operation and declared that Mississippi Baptists were the best organized in the South. These are general organizations. Dr. Yarborough wanted to call attention to several organizations not so common.

1. The Board of Deacons. The qualifications for the deacon are the same as the preacher are, about the same except that he shall be apt to teach.

2. Organized Laymen. Organize as was done during the world war. A church in Alabama, had a Laymen's Missionary Union. The women meet with them and teach missionary study courses. The men do not study to serve. It is said a boy will do what his mother tells him until he is twelve years old and then he does as his father does.

Prayer was offered by L. G. Gates, of Laurel. The President recognized Dr. G. S. Dobbins, of the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He has recently been elected to take charge of the chair of Sunday School Pedagogy and Church Efficiency. He said an efficient church is one that is truest to the Bible. The Bible is the Basis of efficiency. To be true to it, is to be efficient. There are about 50 students in Louisville studying to be more efficient.

If Inter Church World Movement had succeeded we would have been lost and swallowed up. Now we are committed to a world movement. An efficient pastor in our churches is absolutely necessary.

The following new pastors were recognized: Drs. J. M. Walker, E. B. Hatcher, H. H. Honeycut, E. E. Huntsberry, C. L. Robinson, Roy Chandler, C. T. Johnson, R. L. Motley.

Dr. E. C. Dargau, Editor of the Sunday School Quarterlies, of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee, was recognized.

J. C. Parker spoke of the necessity of people having a vision and training them how to reach that vision. Dr. G. H. Crutcher, of the Training School in New Orleans.

Dr. T. B. Ray, of the Foreign Mission Board of Richmond, Va., was recognized.

The Quartet of the New Orleans Training School, was introduced by Dr. G. H. Crutcher. The quartet is composed of two brothers Lites, Davis and Denny, two of them preachers. They sang beautifully, "I Want My Life to Tell for Jesus." This they said was their motto. They were encored and came back and sang in negro dialect, "The Love Come a Trickerling Down."

Pastor Theo. Whitfield announced that the church had requested the "Kings Daughters" to provide dinner for the convenience of Messengers.

In speaking of organization, Dr. W. F. Yarborough gave as a definition—To organize a body or institution is so relate the forces of the body under a competent superintendency, that each unit will find its own place and adequately perform the function for which it exists. After several announcements the conference adjourned for dinner.

Prayer was offered by Dr. E. C. Dargan.

Tuesday Afternoon Session.

Rev. Roy Chandler conducted the devotional services. Many prayers were offered and joyous songs sung. Expressions of gratitude for God's goodness and attendant blessings, were given by some of the old brethren and some of the young men. Bro. Chandler gave an analysis of the 23rd Psalm which was given in the chapel of Mississippi College by the lamented H. F. Sproles who several years ago went to his heavenly home.

The conference then sang, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." The Bible Institute sang, "Peace Sweet Peace." This was executed in a delightfully tender and touching manner.

The general theme for the afternoon was evangelism—Harry L. Martin of Indianola, presented the theme of singing in a revival meeting.

There is singing in other religions, but they borrowed it from Christian religion. Singing is a power for unification, edification and inspiration. Each one of these thoughts gave help to all the conference.

There is need of three kinds of singing in our worship—Paul said "Sing Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs"—Sing some of the old songs. It is helpful. Of course, singing some of the new songs—not "Jazz,"—Too much of the hop, skip and jump religion. On today and off tomorrow. He told several anecdotes wonderfully illustrating the kind of music we should have. The choir leader is largely responsible for successful music. In a meeting the singer should be as carefully selected as the assisting preacher. Then we should pray for the singer as we do for the preacher. We should ask God to call in His service the right kind of singers. Pray God that He will lay His hand on young men and call them into His service as song leaders.

Bro. H. L. Martin was requested to prepare his discourse for publication and have it published in The Baptist Record. T. L. Holcomb, of Columbia, spoke of "Training and Using Personal Workers." He gave the history of county wide evangelistic work.—Get the trained worker, not a man or woman who just wants the boy to join the church. There is something deeper than that—make an effort to get the people—visit them before the evangelist gets on the field. Advertise the meeting—let the B. Y. P. U. get into it. They will think they have a part in getting the meeting started, and while the meeting was going on and when it closes, for they will feel that they must conserve the results.

Take a religious census—know your people and the ones you want to reach. You will get your personal workers from all the forces. Distribute the workers—place them where they have a time to report—get results.

Bro. Purser, of Magnolia, led in prayer. J. P. Harrington spoke on "Pastor and Church Preparing for the Revival Meeting." Prayer was the most essential thing in preparation for the revival. He said two passages of scriptures are helpful for a successful meeting; 2 Chron. 7:14 and Acts 7.

Two kinds of preparation, first internal get the heart in the right attitude towards God. Pray until you get a conviction that the victory is ours. The second thing we need to do is to seek God's face. Get in fellowship with God. Then confess our sins. We have the gracious indwelling Spirit. We must organize. We must train our workers. Preach on revivals—be willing to do the work ourselves.

Song, "Take Time to Be Holy."

Dr. E. C. Dargan spoke of Expository Preaching. He said that preaching God's Word is getting God's truth in, and then to get God's truth out. A good inlet and a good outlet. All the preaching is more or less expository. He illustrated textual subject—Topical and Expository.

Take the Textual. The first verse Textual. Beginning—God created—creation—The heavens and the earth—and so a subject. Creation—an expository sermon would include both the textual and subject. He made all this clear by using this mon. It brings forth something from your own text. It takes work to preach an expository sermon. Something fresh. It is better to get it fresh from your own garden than to get trash from somebody's back yard. Should expository preaching be in series? Better be careful about the series. Never let it be too long. A series would suit one man but not another. His talk was thrilling leaving in our hearts an exalted appreciation of God's work.

F. M. Purser of Hazlehurst, spoke on "Garnering the Results in Evangelistic Meetings." One of the results is there is a renewed longing for great preaching. The evangelist gives the people his greatest sermons—and if the singing is of the best kind it will inspire the choir a desire for great singing. This will help during the entire year. It may be there has been created in the hearts of the people a habit of church going. This should be garnered and kept intact. The pastor should never portray your own doubts—be positive. Tell them of the great mission work of the denomination. It may be that the first half of the year the Board is \$600,000 short, and 3,000 churches without pastors. Garner the results of an evangelistic meeting by placing the Baptist Record and the Home and Foreign Field. Appreciate the possibilities of each soul in the community. So garner the results. On motion the Secretary was requested to ask the Convention to print the minutes of this meeting in the minutes of the Convention. The speakers of the day were requested to prepare their speeches for publication in the Record.

The Program Committee for next year was: T. L. Holcomb, Columbia; A. J. Dickinson, Tupelo and Zeno Wall, Clinton.

The prayer of adjournment was led by G. H. Crutcher, La.

OUR BAPTIST CAUSE.

There are 600 Baptists in Jugo-Slavia among a population of 20,000,000. There are five churches and nine preachers, one only of whom is at present able to give himself wholly to the ministry of the Word. Five others preach a part of the time. The others are in a grim struggle to provide a living for their families, and can only preach the gospel by their industrious and consistent lives, and in such spare moments as they can find between hard labor and the necessary rest. There are six candidates for the ministry, one of whom is in training. Three native preachers of good training are now in this country, but are ready to go back to their people on missionary service whenever their services are required and a modest living can be provided. These are now doing excellent and faithful work among their people in America, but the call of the greater need in their home and rings in their responsive souls.

Our Baptist cause is rooted in the country and has identified with it some devoted men who, with a modest support and the heartening fellowship with our large Baptist brotherhood will give them, may be expected to multiply believers and quickly expand the denomination in the country.

There is a Baptist Union in Jugo-Slavia, but there is not much that it can do for the present. The lack of school buildings, literature etc., and of money with which to provide these constitute a difficulty which they cannot without our help overcome. By the time this letter reaches the reader, Southern Baptists will probably be feeding some of the hungry in the country, but the missionary program cannot move so rapidly. It is necessary for us to get the money, lay mature plans for a permanent work, and fix upon policies which will safeguard it through the future. The cause is, however, moving upon this problem as rapidly as is practicable and the closer becomes our acquaintance with the brotherhood and the conditions which surround our Baptist cause in Jugo-Slavia, the greater is our hopefulness of it and our enthusiasm for it.

NEWS FROM RUSSIA.

(Extracts from Recent Letters.)
A Father-in-Law, (South of Russia)

I am still alive but every moment exposed to death. There are constant changes of Governments, and all require great taxes and all take everything they can. There are scarcely any farmers who have one or two horses. After the Bolshevik Revolution all got land, but the land became a curse to us. There are no horses we can work but we must pay taxes on land constantly, and to all. The worst thing is the different robber bands. Sometimes they are very strong. One leader got as many as 80,000 followers. They recognize no authority, have no resources, and like wild beasts they are throwing themselves on regions and then like grass-hoppers they eat everything up. Cruelties, indescribable cruelties are committed. The human life becomes not only the cheaper thing, but death is welcomed. There are so many here who do not pray, "Deliver Us From Evil," but "Deliver Us Out of Evil." It seems there is no place to be delivered from evil. The people lost everything, not only outside the house but inside so that they must sleep on straw. No clothes, no shoes, immense prices on everything. Now for one and one-half months we are the front. Day and night we hear field guns. It is close to our village. The letter itself sounds like saying, goodbye.

Another Letter from the South.

We suffer immensely. Just one-half a mile from our village there were killed for nothing, 22 men. Eight of them were put in a cellar and then a bomb was thrown down. When it didn't kill all the robbers started shooting, and then stepped down and cut them to pieces that they

could hardly be recognized later. Two preachers were among them.

In another village they hanged 71 men. In another place they gathered all the men from sixteen up in a stable, locked it and burned down. In some places half the dwelling houses have been burned. The robbers forced the owners of the homes to carry the straw and place it around their own homes with which to burn it. At another time they went to a home found no men present so they took the women and children, severed their heads from their bodies, tied them in chairs and left them in that position to be seen by the returned men.

The spiritual experiences are very hard. Here is an example of one case: There were two brothers, both Christians, and one only because he was the Mayor of the town was killed and left lying under a tree in his yard. His brother heard of it and came. With cry he threw himself upon the body of his brother and was lying so. Here are his own words. "The pain was indescribable. He was so good always. With a great love of Christ in his soul for everybody, and now he lies here killed for nothing." Then like a bomb the firey question came to me and filled all of my being. Is there a loving God? How was this possible. The cold and stiff body of my brother under me seemed to be the strongest answer. And the devil used it. A battle started in my soul between God and the devil, and it was so sharp. After a while I raised my hand up and thanked God, I have found him again and knew he was a loving God.
Brother, East of Siberia.

It is a joy to tell you about the Lord's wonderful doings here. Our services are always filled. During the last few months I had 350 baptisms. There are new converts still. Both the lack and the need of the Bible is tremendous. In our province we have 2200 church members and you can hardly find 400 bibles among them. But what about the unconverted masses of people. Our sixteen Evangelists worked since January in 176 towns and you can hardly find a bible in those places. Since the Revolution the spiritual hunger is increasing, evidently. In some places the Greek church communities drew out their priests and asked our Baptist brethren to come and teach them the truth. The Bolshevik didn't touch us until now, they are too busy over political affairs.
Brother, East Siberia.

In Katherine-town I could spend a very short time and had to run off early in the morning because the people there resolved to kill us all on the spot, because, as they said, we demoralized the army and preached against militarism. Our meeting place had to be closed as they considered it dangerous to the freedom. It was dangerous for any brother to carry me from that place. Then an old sister did it. She carried me to the railroad line and along it I went on foot and hiding myself for two days. The station master of the next station warned me because in that place the people resolved to kill me at once. Poor souls, evidently they had been influenced by some one.

Brother, Siberia.

We came to Zavutaja. The people accepted us with open hearts. The common talk among them is: Now we have a new Government in Russia, we must get a new religion also. Let us all go over to Baptists. The only difficulty, as they say, with us is that we require repentance before accepting new members. Anyhow, there are many who are willing to do that also. On March 15th we had nine baptisms.

Brother, Siberia.

I made a mission tour with my choir. Gods rich blessing was everywhere. In some places there were not less than 1000 people present in services. How wonderful are thy doings, Lord, Hallelujah!

War Prisoners (About 200,000 Still in Germany)

Not one printed page is lost here. Everything carefully preserved and sent with brethren to Russia. Among the suffering here: Hunger, cold, all kinds of contagious diseases. The

only way out is the Bible. There was none to be gotten here and then we learned, Russian Bibles had been printed in America and sent here. How we longed for it. Some of our brethren refused to go home to Russia and resolved to stay in Germany until the Bibles came, although some of them had spent six years in captivity. How we divided those books when they arrived. They were more precious to us than bread during the time of hunger in captivity.

From Petrograd.

In Moscow a prominent Bolshevik was converted. It disturbed the government so much that they called a general assembly to decide whether a Bolshevik can be a Christian. To the surprise and consternation of the chiefs the assembly decided in the affirmative.

AWAKENING TO DANGER ON THE FOREIGN FIELD.

J. F. Love, Cor. Sec'y.

There has not been offered a greater rebuke to a certain and limited class of theological schools and mission boards than that which has been administered recently by a group of 150 missionaries in China. The following statement was adopted by 150 missionaries at Kuling, China, in August, and a committee was appointed to secure the signatures of others. The radicalism which has vexed the churches at home is making its assault on young mission churches now, and this deliverance of the missionaries on the field shows that the radicals are abetted by some foreign mission boards. The man who does not know that the time is fully upon us when mission Boards must take the greatest care in inquiring into the doctrinal views of candidates for missionary appointment has indeed a limited knowledge of both the things which some schools are teaching missionary volunteers and the trouble which the men of unseasoned faith are stirring up on mission fields. Mission boards are under no more solemn obligation to the men and women on the fields who are jealous for the gospel and wish faithfully to represent the men and women at home who have love enough for it to finance it, than they are to send out those only who will faithfully re-enforce such men and women. It should never have been necessary for faithful missionaries to appeal to home Societies to protect them and the cause from such untempered missionary material as some who have been sent to the field. The man who is disdainful of the faith can do far less harm here at home than on the mission fields. The churches at home can protect themselves by giving wide berth to radicals and free lances who without their support cannot prosecute their harmful work. But when support is guaranteed by a mission board such men can make a great show of their independence while stirring trouble for missionaries who have gone out to preach the gospel in its simplicity.

But here is the paper which was adopted by the missionaries in China. It speaks for itself, and should be an effectual warning at home and secure protection for the mission fields.

"THE BIBLE UNION OF CHINA."

PURPOSE 1. We, the undersigned, are constrained to band ourselves together as an association "to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints."

BASIS 2. This "faith" we hold to have been revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, whose integrity and authority as the inspired Word of God we must fully accept. The fundamental doctrine of this "faith" we hold to be set forth in the Apostles Creed, accepted according to its original and obvious meaning.

CAUSE OF ACTION. 3. We note with anxiety the divisive character of much of the recent teaching in certain theological seminaries of the West. We feel that the state of both the Christian and non-Christian world demands unity of purpose and steadfastness of effort in preaching and teaching the fundamental and saving truths revealed in the Bible. We are convinced that this is no time to sit quiet or even pray and work merely in private

while we allow the entrance of teachings which are dividing the Christian body and leading many to doubt the foundations of Truth and accept in their stead an incomplete "social gospel."

We therefore present the following program:

PROGRAM 4. To this end we desire:—

(1) To unite in prayer that God may so direct this movement as to arouse the Church of Christ to its deep need of a firmer grasp on the fundamentals, and a fresh realization of the power and sufficiency of the simple Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, the preaching and teaching of which has been blessed of God since the beginning of missionary work.

(2) To promote the circulation, reading and study of the Bible, trusting that its Divine Author will use this movement as a testimony to its integrity and authority.

(3) To prepare and circulate literature and textbooks, witnessing to the fundamental truths of the Bible.

(4) To represent to our home boards and supporters the vital importance of accepting for missionary service only such candidates as will handle aright the word of truth. To help in finding and securing the election, upon the faculties of our Christian institutions, of such men and women as will uphold the Christian fundamentals.

(5) To arrange for deputation work and occasional lectureships looking to the convincing presentation of the fundamentals of the Christian faith; and to make these available to Christian educational institutions, thus helping to counteract by positive teaching any attempts to influence, by text books, or otherwise, students and church leaders towards beliefs and activities contrary to sound doctrine.

(6) To maintain sound teaching in theological seminaries and Bible schools and prevent divisive influences in the same, specially on such cardinal truths of the Bible as are now being attacked, e. g., miracles and the atoning sacrifice of Christ, and to seek means by which able exponents of the "faith" may reach the present and future leaders of the Chinese Church.

(7) To ensure that those who faithfully uphold the principles herein set forth may be adequately represented on mission and union committees and in other movements and organizations. To secure the appointment by missions, churches, and organizations of such delegates to the proposed NATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE of 1921 as will most faithfully uphold the standards herein set forth, and otherwise influence the Conference in the interests of evangelical truths.

(8) To promote all measure for the deepening of the devotional, evangelistic, and missionary spirit in all Christian enterprises."

In our publication last week showing the standing of the churches on the 75 Million Campaign the printer in correcting an error in Verona church in Lee County made his correction by lifting out the type for Vinona church in Montgomery County and placing the correction by lifting out the type for Winona church Winona church should have appeared. That accounts for the fact that Verona church occupies the position that Winona church should occupy in Montgomery County, and that the error was not corrected in the spelling of Verona church in Lee County, leaving it still "Verila." We regret the error but you can never tell what the printer is going to do for you. The correct figures for Winona church in Montgomery County are as follows: Total five-year pledge, \$25,399.00. Amount payable for the period May 1st to October 31st, 1920, \$2,539.90; Amount paid for that period, \$350.00; amount due for that period, \$2,189.90.

Pastor F. T. Huffstatter has been sought for two other fields in the state but his people at Hebron and Sartartia will try to keep him in Yazoo County. It was the Editor's privilege to preach for him at Hebron Sunday, and though it was a disagreeable spell of weather we had a good day and great progress was made on collecting the 75 Million subscriptions.

FINANCING THE KINGDOM

By B. E. Phillips.

"Every man according as he purposes in his heart, so let him give."—Scripture reading: Mal. 1 3:7-11, Matt 28:28, 2 Cor. 8:1-5, 1 Cor. 16:2.

As God's children we ought to search His word and find what he would have us do and then have enough grace and gratitude in our hearts to do his biddings. Every thing that he would have us do is taught in his word. By the study of the Scripture we find our duty very clearly taught in regard to financing Gods Kingdom.

In 2 Cor. 8:5, Paul tells us that the members of the churches of Macedonia, "First gave their own selves to the Lord." This is the first step every one of us need to take. We need to be honest with the Lord. We are not our own, we have been bought with a price. We belong to him who bought us, so the first thing needful with us is to give him ourselves to be used as he wishes to use us.

Even the casual reader of the scriptures will see that the Lord has always had leaders among his people. Whenever he has called his people to do any thing he gave them a leader. So in this duty to be performed, he has done likewise. The second step in this God-given duty, is to respond to leadership. In 2 Cor. 8:5, Paul tells us that they gave themselves unto the Lord and unto Us by the will of God. It is our duty to respond to leadership "By the will of God."

The third thing needful is to purpose in our heart to give unto the Lord. In 2 Cor. 9:7, we are told, the Lord would have his people to have a fixed purpose on this question of financing his Kingdom. If we do not have such a purpose we are not likely to do our whole duty in this matter. We may call this pledging if we wish to do so. The pledge needs to be made in our heart and will be very helpful for it to be put on paper. Then this purpose should be carried out, the pledge should be paid.

The question naturally arises in our minds as to how much we should give. Let the scripture settle this. 1 Cor. 18:2, we read, "As God hath prospered him." But what part of the prosperity should we give is a question that has bothered many Christian people. Shall we decide this question apart from God's word or in keeping with its teaching? Let the Lord say. In Gen. 14:20 we learn that Abraham gave tithes unto Melchizedek. This was more than four hundred years before the law was given. Abraham is spoken of as the father of the faithful, Melchizedek was a type of Christ. Here we see a representative of the faithful in Christ giving tithes to the type of Jesus Christ. The places in the Old Testament are too numerous to mention now, that refer to the question of tithing. In Malachi 1, not giving the tenth and free will offerings are called robbing God. In Matt. 23:28, Jesus commends giving the tenth. To my own mind tithing is clearly taught as our duty. As for me I would rather risk supporting my family on nine tenths of my income than to risk keeping the whole instead of giving God his part.

Again the question comes to us, "who should give?" We find this taught in 1 Cor. 10:2, "Let every one of you." This means every member of the family who is a member of the church. No parent has a right to deprive his child of this privilege. No human power can change this word of God. There is just one thing for us to do and that is obey this scripture. Let us not insist on our Pedo Baptist brethren complying strictly with the command of the scripture concerning baptism if we insist on changing this plain teaching of His word. But are not the poor exempt from this? The members of the Macedonia churches from their deep poverty gave. 2 Cor. 8:2, "Jesus stood by and watched the poor widow who cast in all her living and praised her for it."

We are not left in the dark as to the time to give. In the Old Testament we learn that they were to bring in the first of their produce, whatever it might be. In the new Testament the time

is clearly taught in 1 Cor. 16:2. "On the first day of the week." I am unable to understand why we should feel free to change the time given in the New Testament. If we have the authority to change this one, have we not the authority to change anything else in the scriptures? But one says how is it possible for me to do this when I am a farmer and sell my produce in the fall of the year? Or I am working for a salary and draw my wages only once a month? My reply is: "Have you put God to the test in this? He says in 2 Cor. 9:8, And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that you, having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work. Suppose we put God squarely to the test in this before we say we cannot do what his word says for us to do.

Another question that comes to our mind as we think of putting our money into the Lord's treasure is, will God bestow greater blessings on his children who give, than on those who do not give?? In other words will it pay to give our means into his treasure? The scriptures tell us that it will pay. In 2 Cor. 9:16. But this I say, he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly, and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. In verse seven of the same chapter it is said, "God loveth the cheerful giver." In Luke 6:38, He says: "Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again." Is this scripture really true or is it put in the Bible only to fill up space? Every person that I know of, that has put God to the test in this, bears testimony to the fact that God is not slack concerning his promises.

After all this is a privilege that our Heavenly Father has granted unto his children to thus have a part in the spread of His Kingdom. If we are concerned about lost men and lost women as we should be, we will give ourselves unto the Lord and give our means to be used in his work in any way he may see fit to direct its use. Let every one of us take God at his word and put it in practice in our lives.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

A brief report of the work in the 5th District done by an organized and cooperative plan, since January 1st.

No. Churches visited.....	195
No miles traveled.....	4925
No Sermons preached.....	248
No. Campaigns.....	43
No. Conferences.....	99
No. of subs. to Baptist Record.....	332
Total of new Subscriptions in District.....	1600
No. additions to the church.....	185
No. churches organized.....	4
Total for Baptism in District.....	1800
No. churches built.....	4
No. Pastors located.....	21
No. Preachers salaries raised.....	10
No. Deacons Ordained.....	2
No. B. Y. P. U. organized.....	4
No. W. M. U. organized.....	2
No. Tracts Distributed.....	970
No. Pastors homes bought.....	2
No. S. S. organized.....	1
No. churches putting Baptist Record in budget	8
No. A. H. S. and consolidated schools spoken to.....	32
No. fields formed.....	3
No. church buildings launched.....	2
No. churches putting on budget.....	4
No. churches observing denominational days	30
No. letters written.....	250
No. of associations attended.....	10
No. consolidated.....	1
No. organized.....	1
No. changing the old names to that of county	4

All the changes necessary were made in the associations and the work is greatly set forward by organization and cooperation. The splendid pastors and workers in the District have made this report possible.

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EDITORIAL.

THE CONVENTION.

Tuesday evening the Convention was called to order by President B. A. Lowrey. A song service of 30 minutes was conducted by Rev. O. P. Estes of Lyon. Prayer was offered by Rev. Bryan Simmons. The Convention sang with might, volume, "Higher Ground," and "I Am Resolved to Hasten to Him." Prayer was led by Dr. R. L. Motley, of Oxford. Pastor Theo. Whitfield, pastor of the church, uttered some warm words of welcome. The schools, shops, the other churches, the mayor of the town, and even the sheriff told the Pastor Whitfield to welcome the Convention for the town and county. President Lowrey asked Rev. N. W. P. Bacon of Itta Bena. He said knowing the suddenness of the call I have brought my extemporaneous remarks along with me. He speaks of the many pastorless churches in the state. "We need more prayer that God would send more laborers into the great harvest field. He suggested that we needed more spirituality.

A solo, "Thou Art My Hiding Place," with a chorus, "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Dr. A. V. Rowe, former Secretary of Missions, was unanimously elected President of the Convention. He spoke some words of appreciation for the honor so unexpectedly shown him.

Pres. John Carter, of Clark College and M. P. L. Love of Hattiesburg were chosen Vice-Presidents.

W. E. Lee was elected Secretary of the Convention. Martin Walker was re-elected Press Reporter for the Convention.

Rev. J. C. Gretnoe, of Vicksburg, conducted brief devotional exercises. Sung "Take Time to Be Holy." E. L. Wesson, of Holly Springs led the Convention in prayer. Read 1 Kings 12:23. He dwelt on the idea "It is Too Much." The sermon will appear in the Record. The Quartette sang, "I Have Heard of Thee." Dr. R. J. Bateman, of Meridian, preached the Convention sermon. His text was taken from Matt. 12. "And if I Be Lifted Up Will Draw All Men Unto Me."

The President appointed the following committees:

Nominations—W. H. Morgan, T. L. Holcomb, O. P. Estes, W. A. Borum, W. M. Bostick.

Aged Ministers' Relief—R. J. Bateman, E. T. Moberly, T. J. Moore, I. H. Anding, J. J. Walker.

Christian Education—Wayne Allison, R. B. Gunter, J. C. Parker, Madison Flowers, J. P. Williams.

75 Million Campaign—W. F. Yarborough, L. G. Gates, N. T. Tull, R. C. Gretnoe, Theo. Whitfield.

Hospitals—R. A. Cooper, J. J. Mayfield, Bryan Simmons, M. K. Thornton, Mrs. N. W. P. Bacon.

Home Missions—J. A. Taylor, Homer Webb, E. H. Garrett, Geo. W. Riley, T. W. Green.

Sunday Schools—W. S. Allen, H. L. Watts, J. H. Fuller, L. P. Keys, Miss Minnie Brown.

B. Y. P. U.—Chester Byrne, Auber Wilds, W. E. Hardy, J. B. Quinn, J. F. Tull.

W. M. U.—R. C. Bunyard, Miss M. M. Lackey, Mrs. Mrs. J. C. Johnson, Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, N. W. P. Bacon.

State Missions—R. A. Kimbrough, J. A. Rogers, A. T. Cinnamon, E. A. Wilkinson, A. L. O'Briant.

Foreign Missions—A. J. Dickinson, W. R. Beckett, A. H. Dale, Chas. Nelson, Mrs. W. L. Huntley.

Orphanage—C. M. Morris, B. L. McRee, D. W. Moulder, R. H. Purser, J. W. White.

Publications—Owen Williams, A. F. Davis, B. F. Whitten, A. S. Bozeman, E. L. Wesson.

Ministerial Education—W. H. Thompson, Zeno Wall, Levi Bassett, N. R. Stone, W. A. Gill.

The closing prayer was made by Dr. I. P. Trotter of Shaw.

Wednesday—Morning Session.

Devotions were led by R. L. Motley, of Oxford, sung, "Pass Me Not Oh, Gentle Saviour." Prayer was offered by J. H. Newton, of Shuqualuk. The Scriptures were read by Dr. Motley, Jno. 4:27-38.

President Rowe called the Conference to order promptly on time.

Dr. J. W. Provine, President of Mississippi College, read the report.

The report represents the faculty, is composed of men of the greatest efficiency. All vacancies will be filled with men of unchallenged scholarship, and standing at the top among all our Southern schools. Their character and orthodoxy must be above question, and their work must articulate with, and function properly, in the great Baptist cause in Mississippi. Dr. Gordon Harbutt, Th. D., has charge of the Department of English. Prof. A. E. Wood, M. A., recently of Texas A. M. College, was put in charge of the Department of Inorganic Chemistry. Prof. E. L. Ford, M. A., for the Department of Modern Languages; Mr. M. Cuper, formerly connected with the famous Band of Sousa of New York, is the Director of our large and enthusiastic college band. Mr. Stanley L. Robinson, of Colgate University, is Head of the Department of Physical Training. The present session has the largest enrollment in the history of the College. There are now 360 college men enrolled. The present condition of the college justifies the action of the Trustees in abolishing the Academy, and also shows the wisdom of the policy recently adopted by the Board, of asking every member of the Faculty to devote at least two of his three summer months in traveling among our friends and soliciting students. The whole college is crowded. Mississippi College is educating more college men who are pursuing a course leading to a Bachelor's Degree than any college in Mississippi. Only one Baptist College in the Southern states, namely, Baylor University, has as many male students of college grade in it as our college. The auditors report more than 73% of all money which came into Mississippi College was expended for instruction. The suit against the Chestman estate, valued at about \$200,000 has been closed, by compromise, paying to the attorneys and plaintiff \$12,500.00 and we will come in possession of the land in 1925. Two gifts recently have come. \$5,000.00 by I. N. Ellis of Hazlehurst, in memory of his noble son Carroll, who lost his life in the service of his country in 1918. The proceeds from this gift is to be used for the assistance of ministerial students. Another of \$7,500.00, known as the J. H. Leavenworth Memorial, for the aid of needy students, given by George Leavenworth and his sister, Miss Mattie, of Greenville, Miss. This is a gift to the memory of his splendid father, who was not only a good business man, but a man of great worth to his community in many ways.

The report was referred to the Committee on Christian Education. On motion Dr. T. B. Ray, representing the Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va., was given an opportunity to represent the work of the Foreign Mission Board's work. He described the great propaganda undertaken by the Board. Mr. Baxter Wilson, of Lexington, presented the claims of the Near East. He told many interesting facts concerning the people in the Near East. President J. L. Johnson read the report of the

Trustees of the Woman's College at Hattiesburg. "We moved into one of the new dormitories and the dining hall by December 1, and into the second new dormitory, January 10. These buildings are proving satisfactory. In the Industrial Department, students were furnished room, board, lights and fuel, at an average monthly cost of \$14.00. About 120 students were in this department. Mrs. Rogers is now Lady Principal in the place of Mrs. Sharp, who has moved to Macon, Ga. The enrollment is hovering around the 500 mark. The college has been compelled to refuse more students the present session than some colleges have enrolled. Mr. Humphrey, of Greenwood, has given \$5,000.00 for improvements. Eleven new pianos have been put in the College. Miss Bennett, of Louisville Training School, has been secured to help in our religious work and has entered upon her duties with great enthusiasm. Two Choctaw Indian girls from the Reservation at Union. They are Christian girls who are anxious to prepare themselves to go back and teach the girls of their own race.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain College was read by Dr. W. T. Lowrey. This is the first report offered to the Convention since the College was turned over to the Convention. Because of the increase of prices it was necessary to increase the rates. Teachers must be paid better salaries. The \$100,000 of Mr. W. A. Dockery was gratefully received. All the rooms are full and some of them crowded.

It was reported that the First Church Shawnee, Okla., has called Dr. J. B. Lawrence and that he had accepted the call. The State Board passed resolutions requesting that he do not leave the state, assuring him of the co-operation and support of the Board and the Baptists of the State. The Convention endorsed by a rising vote the action of the Board. The report of the Trustees of Clarke Memorial College was read by Jno. F. Carter, the new president. It showed the college in excellent condition. The enrollment the largest in the history of the college. The present administration is supported loyally by the faculty and the students.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey read the report of the Trustees of the Baptist Memorial Hospital.

The business in operating the hospital amounted to \$287,050.57; of this \$36,684.18 was expended for charity. This does not include building operation. The east wing and nurses' home are approaching completion, but the work has been largely discontinued on account of stringent financial conditions in making collections on the \$75 Million subscriptions. \$525,000.00 is the estimated cost of the wing and the nurses' home. The Training School for Nurses has admitted 42 pupils since January 1. This number will have to be increased as enlargement of the hospital is made.

It was moved that the Secretary's report be printed in pamphlet form and sent to all the churches.

The President read the following telegram from the Convention of N. C., now in session.

Ashville, N. C., Nov. 17.

President, Baptist State Convention, McComb, Miss.

"North Carolina Convention recommends heartily that Baptists and Baptist Churches of the State contribute relief for Europe and Near East in addition to Convention pledges and that offerings for this purpose be taken in all the churches during December and that these offerings be sent to our own Foreign Mission Board.

"B. W. SPILLMAN,

"President of the Convention."

Superintendent J. R. Carter read the report of the Trustees of the Orphanage.

"We have had an average during the year of about 145 children. The demand is constantly increasing for admission into the orphanage. Forty-one children returned to parents, and near relatives 39. Eight have gone out for themselves. The living this year has cost about \$3,000.

The Convention adjourned. Prayer by Dr. E. C. Dargau.

Afternoon Session—Wednesday

Devotions were led by J. E. McKney of Vicksburg. Sung, "Come Thou Fount of Every Bless-

ing." Prayer was offered by Prof. D. M. Nelson—Read Phil. 4. Several passages of Scriptures were quoted by various brethren, all which were comforting. Sometimes two or three speaking at once. Several prayers were offered—Dr. P. I. Lipsey closed the prayers. Sung, "Take Time to Be Holy."

The committee on Publications reported recommend:

1. That we ask those who lead and serve us, to make larger and larger use of our small publications. Probably the lines along which our work has been done is best. If a better way is found they will use it.

2. That we call attention to the book store we now have in service, also that we use it as our needs require. They have or will get any book or pamphlet we want.

3. That we commend the effort being made to have our own publishing plant at the earliest practicable moment. No addition to our facilities is needed more at this time.

4. That we call upon our pastors and church leaders, to put the Record in the homes of the members. That the means best suited to each church may be used, is agreeable, entirely, but experience seems to dictate that it is best to put the Record in the local budget.

5. That we ask pastors, teachers, workers of all our church projections to do their part toward making ours the best Baptist newspaper of all the good ones.

This report was discussed freely by several members of the Convention. The following communication was read by President Rowe:

Thirty students now enrolled in the S. W. B. T. Seminary send their greetings to the Mississippi Baptist State Convention in session at McComb. We wish to assure you of our abiding interest in the Baptist affairs of our home state and to wish for you an enthusiastic, profitable and deeply spiritual Convention. We are exceedingly proud of the noble part which Mississippi has taken in our great 75 Million Campaign, and we are constantly praying for us to return to our native state with greatly helpful equipment for service which we are receiving in the institution. We extend the most cordial welcome to any others from our state who wish to join us in this training camp. We can assure any whose faces are turned this way that they will find here every means and opportunity necessary to the development of Christian efficiency. As students of the Southwestern Seminary we gladly present it to our home Convention with our heartiest endorsement. Again we wish to submit to you assurance of our loyalty and constant affection. May the God of all grace bless you richly in all your labors, and most especially in the sessions of this Convention.

G. C. HODGE,
A. S. JOHNSTON,
W. T. GRAVES.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Hospital has not been able to care for anything like all who applied for admittance, from lack of room. Time and time again, applications were made when every bed was occupied. Quite a number of people have been brought to the hospital and find, on arrival, that there was no room. Addition is being made to provide 35 more beds.

The extension will cost \$75,000.00, exclusive of the furnishings. The 75 Million fund has provided 3 1-3 per cent of the income for our own hospital. The income from this source last year has been \$20,493.52. The hospital suffered great loss in the death of Z. D. Davis. He had been a trustee from the very beginning.

The Training School for the nurses has had a good year. Rev. M. K. Thornton, was elected Superintendent in February. He is getting the work in hand satisfactorily. Miss Stamps has been elected Superintendent of the nurses. The Hospital needs more money to do more charity work—replace the Superintendent's home which was burned, and to buy an X-ray machine. The Committee recommends:

1. That our brethren throughout the State, where they can do so, without interfering with their 75 Million pledges, send something to help care for the increasing number of charity cases that need hospital accommodations.

2. That our churches at home try to plan for at least half the expenses of any of their members who may come to us as charity patients.

3. That the brethren throughout the State help to furnish the annex where it is possible.

The report of the committee on Sunday Schools report pressed the idea of the Summer normal. was presented by W. S. Allen of Hattiesburg. The country churches need that these normals be held with them instead of in the towns or cities.

There have been 757 diplomas, 163 red Seals, 66 Blue Seals, 7 Post graduate diplomas, and six gold Seals have been delivered. Mississippi stands 3rd in A-1 Sunday schools. Pontotoc was the first Sunday School in the South to reach the Double A-1 Standard. There are now only two in the South.

The Quartette sang, "Zion Surrounded." This was refreshing and all felt delightfully helped. Dr. Crutcher announced the fact that the expenses of the Quartette had not been provided for. Two of them are preparing for the ministry and two for Gospel Singers. A collection was taken which more than covered their expenses. Dr. W. C. James Secretary of the Education Board, of Birmingham, Ala., was granted time to speak of the Education Board. He did this in his own interesting style. H. E. Dana spoke for the Southwestern Seminary. He rejoiced that he was back at home. Made an earnest plea for seminary education. W. E. Farr from Fort Worth, told how the Seminary forces are intensely spiritual and evangelistic.

The Board of Ministerial Education reported:

The Board of Ministerial Education has never had a better year, in her long history than the one just closing. Eighty-seven ministerial students attended school at Mississippi College and 35 at Clark College, making a total of 127 men who are fitting themselves for the work of proclaiming the Gospel unto the ends of the earth. Thirty-five students at Mississippi College in their educational work, and 25 young men at Clark, making a total of sixty, and in addition thereto paid all outstanding notes, and met all other bills. The report declares "out of debt." The disbursements \$11,343.14.

Dr. Geo. H. Crutcher, representing the Bible Institute at New Orleans.

Mississippi has the second largest enrollment in the Institute.

The correspondence course has been introduced and will be prosecuted to the very best advantage.

In the Winter school the book of Genesis, and Romans will be taught. He urged that we make it possible for the preachers who need to study in the Institute to attend this school in January to get the lectures.

The Bible Institute is endeavoring to train laymen for leaderships.

The Convention adjourned until 7:30. Benediction was pronounced by Pastor Theo. Whitfield.

Wednesday—Evening Session.

The Convention has passed through a strenuous program during the day and there appears to be a little weariness in the flesh, but a good crowd has gathered.

Rev. O. P. Estes of Lyon, leads in a spirited song service which wakes the people up.

Dr. E. B. Hatcher conducted the devotions—"Come Though Almighty King," was sung." Read Jno. 1-42. Dr. W. C. Tyree, of Greenwood led in prayer. The greatest school in history is the so-called college of 12 men he selected. His comments were helpful and illuminating. Dr. W. A. Borum, of Natchez, offered prayer, sung "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord."

The Education Commission presented its report through W. M. Whittington, chairman. The report recounts the doings of the several schools belonging to the denomination, Blue Mountain Woman's College, Clarke Memorial College, and Mississippi College. These schools are in splendid

condition. The reports of the Trustees have gone into the particulars of these schools as has been already recounted. The Commission recommends the employment of an Executive Secretary. The duties of the Executive Secretary are not merely to keep an office, but they are to create and cultivate an educational conscience among Mississippi Baptists, to keep constantly before our people the cause of Christian Education and to present at every opportunity the advantages of the four colleges owned and controlled by the denomination, as well as to distribute tracts and deliver addresses from time to time in behalf of Christian education. He is to be the spokesman for all our colleges alike in meetings and assemblies. The Commission has distributed to the schools their portion of the 75 Million Campaign.

The report of the State Mission Board is not given because the Convention has ordered that the masterful report of the great things done by the Board during the past year be put in a tract.

The President read a communication from the Kentucky General Association:

Mississippi Baptist State Convention:

Kentucky Baptists extend fraternal greetings.

2 Cor. 8:11.

JOHN L. HILL, Secretary.

Pastor Whitfield and his wife, at the request of many messages rendered a beautiful duet, "Over the River."

The Committee on Ministerial Education offered a report. The committee marks the following recommendations:

1. That you instruct the Educational Commission to give us \$10,000 this year on which to operate.

2. That you give earnest consideration to the matter of providing additional cottages at both Newton and Clinton for our preachers.

The report presented the memorial from the W. M. U. relating to aiding young women for your consideration:—"We, the W. M. U. of Mississippi in Annual session at Vicksburg, present the following request to the Mississippi Baptist State Convention:

1. That they instruct the State Board of Ministerial Education to set aside such a fund as they in their judgment deem adequate, and under such conditions as they deem wise, for a fund to meet the aforesaid need.

2. That pending such action upon the part of the State Convention and to meet the immediate need that our Personal Service Fund be continued, and said fund \$500—be set aside for this purpose and be equally divided, scholarships between our two schools, Woman's College and Blue Mountain College.

The motion to refer the second recommendation to the State Board for their consideration.

Judge O. B. Taylor, of Jackson, offered the following resolution, as an amendment to the report on Ministerial Education:

Whereas the Educational Commission has heretofore fixed the apportionment of funds for the Baptist Colleges of the State as follows:

40 per cent to Mississippi College.

20 per cent to Woman's College.

20 per cent to Blue Mountain College.

10 per cent to Clark Memorial College.

And whereas: in the report which has been adopted by this Convention, the Educational Commission has deemed it wise and proper to change the apportionment to the extent that the funds coming into the hands of the Commission shall first be devoted to the payment of the building bonds of the Woman's College:

Therefore be it resolved by the Convention that in the event the 20 per cent originally set aside for the Woman's College shall be insufficient to pay the said bonds and interest therein, this making it necessary to use a part of the funds originally apportioned to the other colleges that the Education Commission be instructed to reimburse the other colleges for such amounts so used out of the first money coming into the hands of the said Commission.

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POVERTY IN EXTERNALS.

By Edward B. Pollard D. D.

A distinguished Baptist of wide observation and long experience remarked concerning a large and wealthy church, "No pastor can ever succeed there." "Why not?" one asked, "for they have numbers, wealth, prominence." "Yes," was the reply, "but they have no spirituality. Other churches may succeed without this, but a Baptist Church, never!"

The extent to which the Baptist ideals have cut off Baptist churches from the possibility of success through externals is scarcely appreciated by us. Baptists can never succeed except through the use of spiritual forces.

One may say that this is equally true of all other churches. The reply must be affirmative when ultimate success is meant—success as God sees it. But Baptists cannot have success even in its more outward and apparent aspects without spirituality. This is the Baptist hope even in the matters of wealth, culture, and of numbers. We have nothing else to attract and win numbers, nor to hold the culture and wealth when once we have obtained them.

Think for a moment how the Baptist teachings have cut us off from means and methods of power, which other bodies of Christians use with marked success.

We have never boasted church continuity to dazzle the historic imagination of those who must have unbroken succession in which their faith may rest. Our claim must lie solely in the primitive simplicity of our faith.

We have never cultivated a high-sounding ritual, nor built great cathedrals to capture those whose religion moves along lines esthetic. Unless we worship God "in the beauty of holiness" we are nothing.

We refuse to tie our children to our churches by "baptizing" them in infancy and "confirming" them in youth. Unless we can teach and lead them by purely spiritual agencies to choose for themselves Christ and his church the youth are entirely lost to us. Hence, we can make nothing of what is to most denominations its great recruiting agency from the home, namely infant baptism.

With us there is no holding out to men, either directly or by implication, that there is any saving virtue in the ordinances of the church. People will not come to us therefore, in the hope of being saved through baptism, or built up through the partaking of a sacrament. We offer no "sacrament," but only use symbols when we perform the ordinances. Unless men are willing to be saved simply through faith and spiritual obedience they do not come to us.

We can offer no priesthood on which we invite men to rely for authoritative guidance, except the heavenly priesthood of Christ and the spiritual priesthood of every single believer, and we furnish no "church" to which one may commit without question his soul's destiny. Our conception of the church is, first, that of a local body of spiritual, obedient believers, banded to do the spiritual work of the kingdom; or, second, the invisible body of all believers, a spiritual assembly conceived of as united in one.

So, also, we have discarded the manifest advantage that comes from compact well developed organization. We believe that the independency of the local churches, coupled with voluntary co-operation, is the Scriptural form of organization, and, on the whole, the best. But how much others have gained by organization as an agency of propaganda, while we have relied upon personal, voluntary and independent efforts in proclaiming the gospel.

Because of our belief in the parity of all believers, as well as the equality of all ministers, we deliberately reject all successes that come from the oversight of presiding elders, bishops, archbishops and popes. Hence, we get little *eclat* and none of the advertisement that comes through the pronouncements, the presence and the paraphernalia of high church dignitaries. On great "state occasions" and in public newspaper discussions Baptists cut little or no figure, except as real per-

sonal worth may succeed in forging to the front by sheer spiritual force. Officialism can never make a Baptist prominent. Where everybody is bishop, nobody is bishop! "Every man his own pope" is the Baptist position; so anarchy can be averted, as well as inefficiency, only as the common spirit of Christ binds all together under his divine leadership.

Baptists have always spurned success which comes from any support the state might give. They prefer to do their work without secular aid, since "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but spiritual." Voluntary offerings of a devoted people is their sole reliance for outward support in their work.

Baptists have no authoritative creed to bind them together, and so give unity of belief to their constituency. Their only hope of unity of doctrine and so efficiency in propagating their beliefs, is that they all rely upon the same Spirit, given to guide men into all the truth. He must be their reliance as each for himself opens up the Word of Truth. Creeds have been powerful agencies, but Baptists cannot use them.

We have never relied on education nor insisted that all our ministers should be ground through a certain course of training. Nor have Baptists been able to depend on social strategy as an asset in the religious life, nor upon wealth. For in comparison with many other bodies we are in these far behind. Our spirit has sent us with a message to the masses. Hence the "classes" are not specially drawn to us.

And yet, in spite of all these handicaps Baptists have succeeded in this country as have few others. But our success has come solely from the emphasis we place on the eternal and spiritual things—and in direct proportion to our stress upon these. Other people may succeed by the use of other weapons, but Baptists, never. We may perhaps learn some lessons from others in matters of co-operation, worship, education, etc., but it is well for us to understand that Baptist success does not lie in ability to imitate others, nor in any external agency whatsoever, but in the success with which we are able to utilize spiritual forces to the accomplishment of spiritual ends.—Baptist.

OUR NEW EUROPEAN TERRITORY—No 3.

Jugo-Slavia.

J. F. Love, Cor. Sec'y.

THE COUNTRY.

Jugo-Slavia is the new nation which has been formed out of territory lying northeast of the formed out of territory lying northeast of the Adriatic, Serbia, Montenegro, etc. It comprises a territory of 75,000 square miles lying between the Adriatic and the present Austria, Hungary, Roumania and Bulgaria. Much of the country is as beautiful as the Swiss Alpine region, although in parts the agricultural population have to deal with rugged nature. It is probable that there will be great increase in mineral developments in Jugo-Slavia when once foreign capital is given guarantee of security.

When once the dread and passion of war have been allayed in these people, and they can give themselves to peaceful pursuits under the inspiration of their own national life and the greater inspiration of the gospel of Christ, in case this is applied in its purity, a vigorous civilization and admirable type of individual will be developed in the nation. There is found here elements, characteristics, and aspiration which guarantee this under such influences as we have named. The truth is that so few of the Europeans who come to America settle in the South, and our acquaintance is consequently so limited that we have not rightly appraised many of these people. The resistance which they have through the centuries offered to oppression, and the way they have preserved their racial identity amidst disintegrating influences is a mark of racial stamina which we cannot ignore in forecasting the future of any people when once they are given opportunity for self-expression and self-determination. This applies not only to Jugo-Slavia, but indeed to all the Continental racial groups.

RELIGIOUS DIVISIONS AND CONDITIONS

The religious following of the country is divided between Greek and Roman Catholic dominantly and between Lutherans, Baptists, etc. The government gives evangelicals their rights and privileges except as these are occasionally abridged by bigoted priests and fanatics whom the priests inspire to lawless persecution. The war has liberalized the thinking of the people as well as left them with a sense of religious need. The views of Baptists receive respectful consideration and their proclamation excites earnest inquiry.

Physical suffering among the people is great. The war claimed many of the men, arrested industry, and destroyed much property. The money of the country is cheap, and living expenses high. There are many war widows and orphans, and others who by the incidents of war are incapacitated. These physical conditions while appealing and urgent in themselves, add to the missionary opportunity. A cup of cold water now given in the name of a disciple will not be forgotten when missionaries make appeals to those whose greater need is the Bread of Life. Southern Baptists are given a chance to win a favorable offering for their faith by showing the compassions of Christ to little children and others who are hungry and cold.

PULPIT REVERENCE.

A great statesman declared that if America is ever destroyed that it would be through irreverence. He uttered a great truth. Irreverence undermines our entire humanity and destroys the very foundation of our faith. It sweeps away the strongest element of devotion to God, in fact, it paves the way for reckless disregard for the dignity of all law and order.

Irreverence for God, for the Sabbath and religious matters generally prevails to day to an alarming extent. Can it be said that this irreverence began at the House of God and even in the pulpit? Have we lowered the pulpit too much downward on the level of the earthly until it has contributed to this wordly and sceptical age.

This writer does not claim that there is any thing especially sacred in mere brick and mortar or in a table or desk elevated on a platform, but he does believe that the service to which these things have been dedicated is sacred and should be held with the deepest reverence. A minister of the gospel is indeed a man among men and is not clothed in a parsimonious garb, but his high calling is sacred and therefore his life and deportment among men should be in keeping with His divine work. Likewise the sacredness of the pulpit must be preserved if it rises higher than a lecture bench or a political platform. The lack of spiritual force of the pulpit and the weakness of its discourses is due largely to the perversion of its uses to mere worldly purposes. These abuses can be clearly designated in a few of some of the common practices:

1st; Used as a place for sport and entertainment. We believe in fun and entertainment in their proper places and time but have never felt that the pulpit was a proper place for such things. When as a student at the Seminary, this writer, was invited to a church entertainment, and, to his surprise, it was held in a church auditorium and over the pulpit was spread a sheet on which was printed a donkey minus a tail. People were blindfolded and tried to pin the tail on the donkey. The next day I tried to preach in that pulpit and to save me that donkey was still very vivid in my mind. It was not a very comfortable feeling, and how the audience felt I could not imagine. The association of the previous entertainment destroyed, in my mind at least, the spiritual atmosphere and divine significance of the place. I resolved there and then never to consent to such innovations to take place in the pulpit or church to which I was called as pastor.

2nd; Over stressing of mere practical to the neglect of spiritual truths. Religion is indeed practical, but there can never be any wholesome

and permanent practical religion without first an involution of great fundamental truths. It is easier to preach on practical themes while it requires deep study of God's work and devout prayer to unfold the great truths of God's word. We often hear more sermons on the political, financial, social and business questions than we do on the great fundamental doctrines of the gospel. I believe that the pulpit should deepen this spiritual life of the hearers and increase the spirit of devotion and direct the minds of the people to the thoughts of God.

3rd: Tirades against sin and public evil. Sin should be condemned and evil exposed, but that can be done to such an extent and in such a way to do harm and really repel sinners, instead of winning them to Jesus Christ. The curricomb is needed some times but a poor animal needs something else besides being raked over the back. If we would put more fodder in the rack and feed the flock we would have less of spiritual dearth that prevails among the people. Such tirades may please a few people, who like to see a fight, and may draw crowds but they never won lost souls nor increased the spiritual force of the pulpit nor promote reverence for religious matters.

4th: By the use of improper language. Of all the places in the world where chaste and refined language should be used ought to be in the pulpit. I have heard expressions and tales related in the pulpit that border on the vulgar and indecent, and even caused cultured men and women to bow their heads in shame. The churches ought to safeguard their pulpits from men who have no sense of propriety. Slang ought to be out of place anywhere among cultured people and certainly has no place in the pulpit. How can we expect to create culture and purity among the people unless we maintain it in the pulpit?

5th: By using the pulpit for mere personal interest. Here is where he can vent his spleen, ride his own hobby, take advantage of people who have no opportunity to reply, prune down the doctrines, lower the standards and cater to the words ways in order that he himself may be popular. Rather should he realize that he stood in the place of God and, as his ambassador, endeavor to please God rather than man or promote his own interest. He is God's representative and as he rises to this high responsibility he will promote the deepest reverence for the pulpit and its sacred place in God's kingdom.

R. M. BOONE,
Marks, Mississippi.

FRANK E. BURKHALTER.

Is the Baptist 75 Million Campaign making good? Is it meeting the expectations of the more than a million Southern Baptists who a year ago made subscriptions to it in the hope and belief that all our general denominational agencies would be able to accomplish larger things in carrying forward the Kingdom of God in the world?

To both these questions the answer is an emphatic "YES."

How has the campaign made good and what has it accomplished first year since the drive for funds was completed?

It is to answer this last question briefly and place before our people briefly information upon which they will be justified in observing the first anniversary of Victory Week, when their subscriptions were made, and thanking God that He led His people to undertake this larger program in His name, that this article is written.

Every agency of the denomination that is receiving funds from the Campaign is making good. Acting upon the belief that God had opened the doors of opportunity to much larger achievement and that the Baptist brotherhood of the South would pay what they had pledged to God for the enlargement of His work, all general interests fostered by the Campaign acting through their regularly constituted agencies, enlarged their plans

accordingly and immediately set forth upon enlarged programs.

FOREIGN WORK GREATLY AIDED.

In no field has the Campaign made possible larger progress than that of foreign missions. On practically every field the work was hampered for years by lack of adequate funds for doing much-needed things. Since the Campaign these needs have been supplied and our foreign work is in far better shape than it has ever been.

A brief summary by fields will indicate some of the outstanding appropriations and accomplishments, though along side these should be considered the greater efficiency of the work on every field made possible by supplying small needs that have been urgent throughout the years.

AFRICA.—Theological seminary, 3 academies, two hospitals greatly strengthened

ARGENTINA.—Bought valuable property in best section Buenos Aires for Boys' Academy Cost \$60,000

BRAZIL.—Main building college at Pernambuco \$50,000; dormitory Rio College, \$40,000; additional land for campus and property for girls' department of institution, \$135,000; sites for Academies at Victoria, Campos, and Bello Horizonte and Girls' School at Santo Paulo.

CHINA.—Completion hospital at Wuchow, \$75,000; purchase compound at Canton on which are located hospital and other buildings, \$65,000; appropriation for new church in Canton, \$50,000.

ITALY.—Purchase of whole block in heart of Rome, on which are seven buildings, which will be used for theological seminary, publishing house and other headquarters activities. Cost, \$165,000. Purchase of site on outskirts of Rome for orphanage to care for war orphans of pastors and others. Cost \$30,000.

JAPAN.—Appropriation \$100,000 development Boys' School at Fukuoka and \$50,000 for Girls' School at Eumamoto.

MEXICO.—Appropriation \$60,000 for church building loan fund which is encouraging local Mexican churches to build adequate houses of worship. Similar provision in other countries is likewise greatly increasing the contributions to church buildings.

EUROPEAN FIELD ENLARGED

Accepting what it believes to be the share of Southern Baptists for the evangelization of Europe, the Foreign Mission Board has just voted to enter Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Hungaria, Roumania and the Ukraine, regarded by many as the most promising missionary fields in Europe today. Plans have been formulated for the occupation of those fields at an early date.

Outstanding in the year's, foreign missionary achievement was the sailing from Vancouver, B. C. August 17, of nearly 100 workers of the Foreign Mission Board, including new appointees and others returning to the Orient after a year's furlough at home. This was the largest number of missionaries ever sent out at a single time by a single board. At the same time other ships were bearing other missionaries of our board to Africa and South America.

ome BBoard Assumes Great Task (sub-head)

The needs of its growing Mexican work, the enlargement of the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at El Paso, the demands of the missionary work in Cuba, the calls of the mountain schools, the pleas of the churches everywhere for help in their building programs impelled the Home Mission Board to lay out its current year's work on decidedly the largest scale ever attempted, the budget for the year being \$2,916,617. There are a million Mexicans in Texas and New Mexico to whom the Home Board is seeking to minister along evangelistic and educational lines, while the calls for large co-operative aid in the states of Oklahoma, Missouri, Illinois, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana and Florida were such that they could not be ignored.

A summary of the appropriations of the Home Board for the current year furnishes the most succinct idea of how that agency is doing the vast work committed to it:

Church building gifts -- -- -- \$ 806,250

Church building loan fund	250,000
Evangelism	168,000
Enlistment	175,000
Mountain schools	218,000
Co-operative missions	230,026
Southern Baptist Sanatorium	232,500
Cuba	98,303
Panama	8,900
Foreign missions	269,876
Indian missions	30,972
Negro missions	21,850
Publicity (including books for evangelistic and church building depts.)	38,500
Administration	65,900
Miscellaneous	28,500

Total -- -- -- \$2,914,617

Schools Make Great Gain (sub-head)

In the realm of Christian education the advance of the year has been remarkable. Information furnished by 38 of our Baptist academies, colleges and seminaries in the South shows that improvements valued at \$1,538,500 have been completed during the year; other improvements valued at \$1,404,000 are under way; \$360,000 has been added to endowment funds; debts aggregating \$55,000 have been wiped out; and a total of \$3,500,000 in increased assets has accrued to this portion of our educational system during the first year of the Campaign. Full returns from all the institutions would swell this amount considerably. Nearly 30,000 pupils are now enrolled in the Baptist educational institutions of the South a new high record.

While the newest of our general boards, the Educational Board has just recently inducted into service its permanent corresponding secretary and other officials and has made excellent progress in organizing for the task of serving all educational interests of Southern Baptists. While the board is charged only with the distribution of the funds for the Southwide educational institutions as a result of its participation in the Campaign, it is making rapid progress in the performance of the wider and more general work for which it was created.

Allowance to Ministers Increased (sub head)

Rapid progress is being made by the Relief and Annuity Board of relieving the physical needs of our aged ministers and their families and in enabling other ministers to make provision for their old age in part through participation in the Annuity features established by the board. The funds coming in from the Campaign, combined with the \$100,000 contributed by Mr. Rockefeller, have enabled the board to increase the allowance made to aged ministers and their families materially during the year and the outlook is in every way encouraging.

There have been 183 baptisms reported to Brother N. T. Tull since his last report was given in The Record. There are other good meetings to hear from.

The League of Nations Assembly is having its first sitting at Geneva in Switzerland, which will be the home of the League. The Associated Press says: "The attitude toward the United States is that the League of Nations must go on whether the United States comes in or not, but that it must be developed in a way that will not close the door for entry when means are found to make this possible.

It may be so, some people will believe anyway, even those who have difficulty in believing the Bible. The story goes out from the University of Pennsylvania that the archeologist has discovered in their Babylonian Collection a postage stamp made in Ur of the Chaldeans, about 300 years before Abraham left that city for Canaan. It is said to contain the pictures and names of the monarch of that time and contains an inscription to show that it was a kind of registered mail containing a shipment of gold to a banker.

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The Christmas holidays are almost upon us. Let us be sure and remember our aged ministers with a box. Send to this office for name.

The programs for the Week of Prayer, January 2-8, are being sent out. If you fail to get yours please write at once. A package is being sent to each society on our list. But about this season of the year the mails are crowded and sometimes packages go astray.

Be sure and read the call for the Week of Prayer on this page. And do not fail to send at once to Headquarters in Baltimore for the leaflets mentioned. You will find they add much to the interest of the meetings.

Our Week of Prayer programs call for the use of the 1920 Minutes of the S. B. C. Send 11 cents to this office and check same.

That interesting letter from Mrs. W. F. Yarbrough was not intended for publication; somehow your Secretary wanted to share her joy in regard to this special box with all you sisters. Some time back Mrs. Yarbrough found your Secretary in the depths. When questioned she showed a letter that had come to the office. It was from a Superintendent, who returned a call from this same Frontier mission saying: "I did not ask the societies to send this box as we give through the 45 Million Campaign." Enough said.

WEEK OF PRAYER PROGRAM WORLD WIDE MISSIONS. JANUARY 2-8, 1921.

Nation-wide notice was taken of the "Baptist Missionary Ship" when put out to sea in August with its unprecedented number of new missionaries. As prayers went up for their safe voyage thanks were also given for the Baptist 75 Million Campaign which enabled our Foreign Board to achieve this great feat. The general theme for the January program is: "Advancement through the Campaign." It is earnestly hoped that the ministers will preach on this or some kindred theme on or near the first Sunday in January. The society should see that its pastor is asked to do so and that he has the latest missionary information.

Genuine help for the program of the week will be found in the report of the Foreign Mission Board as given in the 1920 Minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention. These Minutes may be secured for eleven cents postage from the State W. M. U. Headquarters. Other splendid help will be found in mission study books.

An innovation this year will be that all the songs for each program will be by a distinguished author. Information about authors will be found in almost any good hymnology.

The envelopes should be distributed early in December, one being given to each woman in the church and congregation. The offering counts on the Baptist 75 Million Campaign. In each church there are doubtless women who did not pledge to the Campaign and will rejoice at this opportunity to give to it. The winning of these women in this way may be the beginning of regular

payments by them to the Campaign. The appeal from the Foreign Mission Board should be read at the first meeting in December and should be re-read when the offering is ingathered. When all the envelopes have been returned the offering should be forwarded promptly.

The society is also expected to help the young people in the preparation and rendering of their Christmas Offering programs.

Sincere gratitude is felt to each of the missionaries and other friends who prepared the leaflets. It is heartening to believe that they did the work because they long "that in all things He might have the preeminence." May earnest prayer be made at each meeting for our foreign mission work and for the advancement which must constantly come to it because of the Baptist 75 Million Campaign.

PAID LEAFLETS TO BE ORDERED FROM HEADQUARTERS FOR WEEK OF PRAYER.

Sisters, here is a list of the leaflets that we will need during our Week of Prayer that must be ordered from Headquarters.

Please do not fail to place your order at once with the W. M. U. Literature Department, 15 West Franklin St., Baltimore, Maryland. Of course you will not fail to enclose funds for same:

- "Chinese Bible Now Complete," price 1 cent.
- "Not Knowing," price 3 cents.
- "The call of the Dark Forest," price 2 cents.
- "A Heroine of Italy," price 2 cents.
- "Our Little Helpers in Japan," price 2 cents.
- "The Senora's Story," price 2 cents.
- "A Country Trip in South China," price 3 cents.
- "A Camouflaged Prescription," price 4 cents.
- "A Little Friend in Africa," price 3 cents.

Dear-Miss Lackey:

We organized the Mission Study class in Circle Three (The College Circle) of the Immanuel W. M. U., last night and the President of the College and two professors, men—joined. Now, don't you think it is fine to have them do this? Last fall at our Association meeting one of my recommendations as Mission Study Leader, was that we try to enlist the men, and I did some personal work before the class met, but hardly dared hope for as good results—

"O, ye of little faith."

I suppose this is the first class of W. M. U.'s to have M-E-N as members? We are studying "All the Word In All the World."

With love,

MRS. A. L. O'BRIANT,
Hattiesburg, Miss.

"My dear Miss Lackey:

"I wish you could have been here at the box packing. I never saw such a lovely box in all my experience at packing boxes for our missionaries. The esprit de corps of the sisters was beautiful and we certainly had a royal good time at the packing here in my home.

"You know you gave the name of the family to me en-route to an association, and I took it on faith that the good women of the various churches would rally to me as President of our city Union, and they responded far beyond my fondest expectations. You cannot know how happy it makes me feel to know I have their hearty cooperation, I mean from all the churches of town, Main St., Immanuel, Fifth Avenue, and First Churches.

"We got a new overcoat (a splendid one) for the Preacher together with most everything else to go with it, suit, shirts, underwear, hose, and even a Stetson hat. For the dear woman, a brand new coat suit, hat, shoes, gloves, silk shirt-waist, corset, coset covers, hose, etc., etc. And for the dear young girl a "darling" all-wool dress (new) and a freshly cleaned and pressed coat suit, hat, shoes and all sorts of dainty things to freshen up her wardrobe, and a pretty quilt for the young. This doesn't give you a faint conception of the box hardly as there are so many necessary things besides (too many to mention) and when the box is totalled up it will reach into \$275.00 or probably more.

"You never saw such a happy bunch of women as met here yesterday to pack it. If the family have half the joy we had, I sure would like to be at the unpacking to rejoice with them. These women know how to do things right. This experience makes me take heart for the coming Convention for I felt that they will rally to it as they have to this box.

"With love,

"MRS. W. F. YARBOROUGH.
Hattiesburg," Miss.

Will those who tell us that the account of creation as given in Genesis is merely "poetry," please tell where the "poetry" end in Genesis. Does it include the fall of man? Does it include Abraham, Isaac and Jacob? Is all the story of Joseph going down into Egypt a mere poem? Is Exodus also poetry? Is the table of the law a poem? No doubt these wise ones can tell us when the poetic scripture ends if it ever ends.

Nearly every Southern Baptist paper printed the account published originally in the Baptist Record of Mrs. Mary Collier, aged 92, picking cotton to pay her campaign pledge.

An Episcopal exchange quotes approvingly these words about baptism: "The benefits of baptism re (a) incorporation into the body of Christ, and consequent regenera; (b) remission of sins and justification; (c) adoption as children of God and heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven; (d) character suitable for such status; (e) capacity to receive the benefits of other sacraments." These people are the ones who are insisting upon union of all the churches. These things are in the estimation of a Baptist a contradiction of the plainest scripture teaching and subversion of the whole gospel plan of salvation. If salvation is by baptism as these people teach then they are indeed in a bad fix, for they have for three hundred years abandoned the practice of scripture baptism. Every genuine Baptist knows that he is saved by the Atoning Blood of Jesus Christ and the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit, and that baptism has nothing whatever to do with his salvation except to announce it as an accomplished fact.

Brother Hodges who was chaplain in the army has been called to and has accepted the church at Houston, we understand. He is an Alabamian and comes highly recommended by brother M. K. Thornton.

We shall welcome to our columns the addresses made at the Preachers Conference in McComb, and rejoice that our readers are to have them. They have never been surpassed in any previous meeting and touched upon the vital themes of church efficiency and evangelism.

Superintendent M. K. Thornton announced at the Convention that the addition to the Baptist Hospital in Jackson would soon be ready for the furniture, and the opportunity is open to individual churches and societies to provide the furniture for these rooms. Some have already been asking the privilege and the way is now open. "Inasmuch as you did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you did it unto Me."

Pastor B. P. Robertson of First Church, Paducah, Ky., is happy in the annual report of his church and the figures justify it. The church received 183 members in the past year, 54 of them by baptism. Their gift to all objects was over \$33,000.00. Of this \$15,783.00 were for missions and benevolence. The rest for local expenses including a pastor's home, now worth \$10,000. They have two Sunday schools with enrollment of 926. The church also has a Business Women's Baptist Home which has rendered good service. This is one of the best organized churches in the Southern Baptist Convention.

B. Y. P. U. DEPARTMENT

AUBER J. WILDS, Field Secretary, Oxford, Miss.
"We Study That We May Serve."

Mississippi College Officers

We are herewith giving you a list of the officers of the four B. Y. P. U.'s in Mississippi College. The work is progressing nicely and the B. Y. P. U. is the center of all religious activity, as it ought to be. Last year we operated three unions, all of which qualified as A1, doing splendid work. In order that more of the Baptist young people may be utilized it was thought best this year to operate four unions. It is proving a success.

We have one general president who belongs to no one union but divides his time among them looking after them all in a general way keeping a record of their activities, boosting them up on their weak points, etc. Mr. Robert Gandy is serving most admirably in that capacity. The other officers are:

Patterson Union—President, M. McDaniel; vice-president, E. L. Douglas; Rec. Sec., Miss Elizabeth Lassiter; Cor. Sec., I. J. Keith; Treas., S. L. Walker; Librarian, Miss Annie M. McDaniel; Chorister, Estes Rushing; Pianist, Miss Bessie Oliver; Bible Readers' Leader, E. C. Fleming.

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Berry Union—President, J. L. Wilson; Vice-Pres., Floyd Lowe; Rec. Sec., Miss Katherine Varnado; Treas., Mr. Joyner; Librarian, W. D. Wilson; Chorister, H. G. Lewis; Pianist, Miss Ruth Power; Bible Drill Leader, W. D. Wilson.

Potts Camp

A letter from Miss Mary Lester Brown of Potts Camp, tells of the good work the Junior B. Y. P. U. is doing there. They have set their aim to be an A1 union and untiringly are pushing forward towards their goal. The letter also bears news of the organization of a Senior B. Y. P. U. in their church which gives the its young soldiers

Booneville Church Gives Banquet to Young People

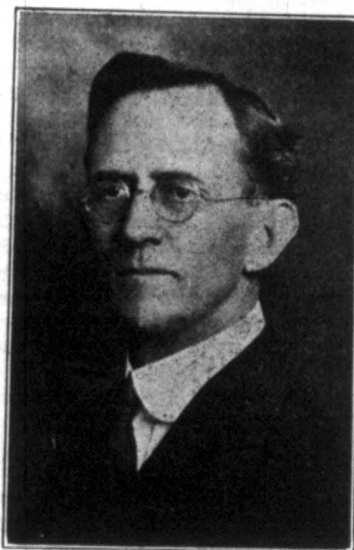
On the last Friday night of October the Booneville church gave a banquet for the young people of the church. There were twenty seven of the young people present and a most enjoyable time was had. It was the privilege and pleasure of the state secretary to attend this delightful gathering. At the close the young people assembled in the auditorium and were organized into a B. Y. P. U. that gives promise of being one of

the best. We herewith give a list of officers elected.

President, Wright Enis; Vice-Pres., Ethel Mahon; Sec., Miss Sudie Leigh; Cor. Sec., Marion Smith; Librarian, Thomas Cunningham; Treas., Lizzie Moore; Chorister, Virgie Spight. Group Captains, Annie Mahaffey, Maud Owen, Wm. Henry Sartin, John Mahaffey. The committees were appointed, groups formed, giving the union the first three points in the Standard of Excellence.

Oxford Seniors Organize Union At New Prospect

A group of the Oxford Senior B. Y. P. U. a few weeks ago. Mr. Lewis Hall, as group captain, went to the New Prospect church eleven miles east of Oxford and gave a demonstration and then organized a B. Y. P. U. in the church. The Oxford union under the leadership of Miss G'adys Short, their efficient president, is planning to do this same kind of work in as many of the other churches in Lafayette county as possible and next summer a county B. Y. P. U. convention is to be held for all young people.



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CHICKASAW COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

The first regular session of the Chickasaw County Association convened with Houka Baptist church, Oct. 7 and 8. J. S. Price, of Okalona was elected moderator. The attendance was fine and the discussions were of a high type. We regret that so many of our state workers were absent.

Among the visitors were: Brethren R. A. Kimbrough, of Blue Mountain; C. S. Nelson, of Shannon; and I. B. Tigrett and wife of Jackson, Tenn.

Dr. Kimbrough favored us with two splendid discussions.

We have remodeled our house of worship at a cost of seven thousand dollars. This gives us the best

church building in town.

Our subscription to the 75 Million Campaign was very liberal, but on account of expense of church building very little has been paid. Nevertheless, we will turn our attention to it very soon.

Chickasaw County is a field ripe unto harvest, but it seems that the laborers are few. With God's help we will do our best.

Fraternally,

W. J. STACY.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, on the 3rd day of Nov., 1920, our Heavenly Father called from our midst, Mrs. Lorey Rush Dubard, who as a member of our church and as President of our Woman's Missionary Union, we desire to express our great esteem of her beautiful Christian life.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the church and society have lost a faithful worker, whose life was controlled by Christian motives, and one who was willing in her efforts to promote its Christian work.

The community at large will miss the many services rendered by her.

Resolved, that we extend our sincere sympathy to her devoted parents, sister, daughter and son.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Baptist Record and a copy be sent to the bereaved loved ones.

MRS. J. L. ALVIS,

R. S. ROWLAND,

MRS. I. L. SINGLETON.

The death angel came into the home of Bro. J. J. Walters on Monday, Nov. 8, and claimed as his own, their fairest flower, when the spirit of their little son, T. Weber, took its flight to that brighter and better home.

Death came as a great shock to every one as he was sick for only one day, but all that loving hands could do was done and now, we can only bow in humble submission to the Father's will and know that some day we will understand.

T. Weber was four years, eleven months and twenty-three days old and was a great favorite and loved by all who knew him, for his quiet, loving, gentle manner. His little life was truly a flower that budded on earth to blossom in heaven.

He will be sadly missed by all his little friends and classmates and we missed him. Oh! so much, on last Sunday when his little chair was vacant, but our loss is heaven's gain.

He leaves a sorrowing father, mother, brother and sister, besides a great host of near relatives, to mourn for him, but the Father who doeth all things well will be their strength and help in their sad hour.

Funeral services were held at Pine Grove church, Tuesday, Nov. 9, by the pastor Bro. W. W. Allred, of Newton, and interment was made in Pine Grove cemetery.

Sleep, my little one, sleep
Narrow thy bed and deep,
Hunger, nor thirst, nor cruel pain
Ever can hurt my babe again.

Thou wilt waken, sweet babe of mine,
mine,

In thy Home Divine.

His Sunday school teacher,

(MRS. CHAS. T. WALTERS.)

Rt. 2, Ellisville, Miss.

A MODEL PLAN AND A MODEL MAN.

The attendance record of the First Baptist Sunday school of Anderson, S. C., shows for the Sundays since September 1st, respectively, 640, 706, 886, 914, 938, 855, 934, 866, 766, 824.

Eighteen months ago, the church, of which Dr. Jno. E. White is pastor, called Mr. C. S. Leavell to become director of educational work, and superintendent of the Sunday school. The first year was spent in enlarging and strengthening the organization of the school, looking to a religious census which was recently taken. The school was placed on a departmental basis, and the number of classes increased from 40 to 84. The number of officers and teachers now is 110. This fall the results have been showing up. The attendance had in former years been running from 400 to 550. During the month of October this year the average for the five Sundays was 874. The intermediate department had 120 present on a recent Sunday. The Junior department, now runs from 140 to 170 in attendance has been forced to occupy a hall two blocks away, because of lack of room at the church. There have been no "contests" or "special days" aimed to swell the attendance abnormally. The above records include an average of about 75 girls from Anderson College.

Sister Elizabeth Furr Smith was born in Lawrence County, March 5, 1824 and died September 6, 1920. She was married Dec. 2, 1840 to Jesse M. Smith, who preceded her to the better land many years ago. To this union there were born eleven children, five of whom survive her. She had fifty-seven grand children, one hundred and four great grand children, and eight great, great grand children.

She was baptized into the membership of Little Bahala church during her early years and her religious life increased in radiance and loyalty to the very time of her passing. For more than forty years, she was a highly esteemed member of Pleasant Hill church, Copiah County, a faithful attendant to all church services as long as her health permitted. She was a woman of rare personality and Christian character. She loved her Lord and His cause.

To those who abide the years, she leaves the heritage of a noble fidelity; the sweetness of a gracious motherhood; the lasting influence that gave to every human horizon the ministry of a Christ-like life.

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TWO VISITS TO NORTH MISSISSIPPI.

(W. F. YARBOROUGH)

As a returned exile I have been trying to get readjusted to my former relationships in the state. I find so many changes in ten years that I am almost a stranger on my native heath.

Early in October I went to spend a couple of days with Pastor Howze at Sardis in a Bible conference. This meeting was written up by the Ed for who was also one of the speakers at the conference. So I will only pause long enough on this to say that this meeting was just a little different from anything I had ever been in before in that a group of preachers were asked to speak to a church on great Bible doctrines. I had known of such conferences for workers of a special kind and for other preachers but this was for the church and believe me the church people came and drank in the preaching as if it had been something new. I commend Brother Howze's plan to other pastors. Think I shall try it some time myself.

My other visit was with Pastor Youngberg and his church at Boyle in the Delta. So far as I can recall I had not preached in the Delta since my college days though I have been on the edge of this great section several times since. But what changes have been wrought! How the land has been cleared up! How the people, white people, I mean, have moved in! They are not so numerous yet as in the hills but the quality is extra good.

The Baptist church at Boyle is necessarily small as the white population is quite limited and the town is only three miles from Cleveland. With a membership of fifty-five, with only forty resident members the addition of twenty-three members was a right good ratio of increase. Six were received on profession, one by statement and sixteen by letter. Our Baptist constituency in the Delta is loyal and believe in doing things in a great way. They are naturally discouraged just now over the low price of cotton but they are exceedingly optimistic and tho they may be down one year, they will come the next.

It is a delight to find Pastor Youngberg, as was also the case with Pastor Howze, deeply entrenched in the affections of his people. He stands well with all the people of the community and is in a position to do fine service. The pleasure was great in finding some former friends and acquaintances, among whom were Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Merritt, my boss during my stay at Boyle. Mrs. Merritt and Miss Mildred Williams, teacher of expression in the High School were under my former pastoral care at Jackson.

I shall not soon forget the many kindnesses shown me by these good people and especially their hospitality for the preaching of the Word. It was said that all the white people in Boyle except Jews and Catholics attended the meeting. I am fast getting "re-naturalized" in the good old Magnolia State.

W. F. YARBOROUGH.

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Orphanage Share Better Fate.

While it has not been possible to get a detailed report from all the Southern Baptist orphanages, setting forth how they have fared from the Campaign, all except one of those reporting tell of larger receipts than before as a result of the Campaign. These increases range from 20 to 75 per cent. Nearly \$1,000,000 has come into the treasuries of the orphanages already as a result of the Campaign and improvements to the value of -250,000 are under way.

Hospital Situation Improves Rapidly

With fairly complete returns from the Baptist hospitals of the South it is found that \$1,019,200 has been received by them to date as a result of the payment of Campaign subscriptions and designated funds, and improvements valued at approximately \$750,000 are under way at these institutions. One of the most encouraging developments in the hospital field as a result of the Campaign is the increased support given the hospitals by the communities in which they are located and the movement for new hospitals in states and sections where no Baptist institution of healing has existed before.

In Arkansas, for instance, the Davis Hospital at Pine Bluff was purchased, overhauled and equipped by the Baptists and is already doing a large and helpful work, while the campaign for the establishment of a Baptist State hospital in Little Rock resulted in cash and subscription to the amount of \$327,000. Plans for a modern hospital of 300 beds for Little Rock have been approved but pending better building conditions the Baptists have purchased a small hospital and block of ground in that city and have begun operations. When the new building is erected the old one will be used for a nurses' home.

Alabama Baptists plan to erect a hospital from the surplus Campaign proceeds in that state. Kentucky has \$100,000 in cash assets toward the establishment of a hospital in Louisville, the proposed North Carolina hospital has \$100,000 to its credit from the Campaign and an offer of \$100,000 and a site from cities competing for the location, while the recently projected Virginia Baptist hospital at Lynchburg has assets of about \$63,000, of which amount \$31,313 has come through the regular Campaign channels. As a result of the larger things which the Campaign made possible for the Baptist Memorial Hospital at Memphis the citizens of that city subscribed \$712,000 for that institution, and campaigns among citizens of Dallas and Houston have made larger provisions for the hospitals there. New hospitals are to be established at Abilene, Harlingen and San Antonio, Texas, and in addition to what the Campaign is to do for these institutions the citizens of Abilene are raising \$250,000. San Antonio Baptists have provided a site worth \$50,000, and Harlingen citizens have contributed \$75,000 in cash and subscriptions.

All Records for Baptisms Broken

That all records in state mission work and evangelistic efforts in the local churches have been broken is

indicated in the conservative estimate that the ordinance of baptism has been administered to practically 175,000 persons in Southern Baptist churches during the association year of 1920. This is by all odds the largest number of baptisms ever reported in a single year and the indications are that when all the final figures are in this total will be larger rather than smaller. It was impossible to secure exact reports from all the associations at this time.

Practically all the state mission boards enlarged their forces for at least a portion of the year and the work accomplished in all directions was the largest on record. Evangelistic campaigns were conducted in more churches than ever before in a single year and the preparations made for this evangelistic campaign justified themselves in the larger results. Mississippi reported that three times as many persons were baptized during this year as in any previous whole year. The collections for state missions were much larger, with one exception, than ever before.

Some Concluding Observations.

While the Campaign has enabled all the general boards and other denominational agencies to greatly enlarge their programs and activities, these programs can be continued upon their present scale only upon the condition that our people continue to pay their pledges

promptly. It is not believed any Southern Baptist is willing that we should take a back step.

Many of our people made subscriptions to the Campaign a year ago. Numerous others did not. The anniversary of Victory Week might well be used in securing pledges from those who did not subscribe, as well as in rounding up the collections on previous subscriptions.

The every-member canvass should be pushed in all our churches and every man, woman and child urged to give to the extent of his or her ability for the promotion of the Kingdom of God out to the ends of the earth as well as in the local churches.

FRANK E. BURKHALTER.

PRESIDENT J. L. JOHNSON

This vigorous young man, president of Mississippi Woman's College from its beginning, is the son of Dr. John Lipscomb Johnson and Julia Toy Johnson. He was graduated from the University of Mississippi in the literary department and the law department, also took his A.M. degree from Mississippi College, did post graduate work at the University of Georgia and in the University of Berlin and the University of Göttingen and the University of Paris. Returning from Georgia with a wife and honors as a teacher, he was president for a while of Hillman College and had the department of

Modern Languages in Mississippi College. He began with the Woman's College in its incipency and now counts nearly five hundred students in the school that he has made famous. He has been president of the Baptist State Convention and vice-president of the Southern Baptist Convention. The phenomenal growth of the Woman's College has made him sought after by other colleges from Alabama to Oklahoma. But he prefers to stay by the work he has been so greatly prospered and where he is so popular.

Pastor H. L. Johnson has served the church at Liberty Hill, in Panola county, for 32 years. This is the highest record so far as we know of any present pastorate in Mississippi. Some two years ago he and his good wife celebrated their golden wedding. They have lived a sacrificial and joyous life and God has rewarded them with the love of many friends and a family of ten children who are an honor to them and to every good cause. All are married and have families of their own. It was our pleasure to be with Brother Johnson and his churches at Liberty Hill and Big Springs last Sunday in a round up for the campaign and the Record. On his golden wedding some one gave to Brother and Sister Johnson \$15 in gold. They have used this over and over till more than \$100 worth of books were sold to his people.

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BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

(Continued from page five)

Judge O. B. Taylor, of Jackson, made a brief talk in behalf of Mississippi College. He was followed by Rev. J. C. Robinson, of Canton, who spoke touchingly of the influence of Mississippi College on his own life and the life of other young men.

Dr. J. L. Johnson represented the Woman's College. He yielded a part of the time to L. Martin of Indiana. He spoke as only he can, of the work done at the Woman's College.

Dr. J. L. Johnson spoke a few moments on the importance of educating women. Baptists have not always looked favorably on the education of women. Only a year has the Convention owned a distinctively woman's school.

President J. R. Carter represented Clarke Memorial College. Pastor Thompson, the pastor at Newton was called to the platform by President Carter, and told of the sacrifices some of the young men make to stay and get an education.

Vice-President M. R. L. Love presided over the meeting during the evening.

Rev. Wayne Allsop, a member of the Board of Trustees spoke commending the college and especially President John Carter. He urged the Convention to stand by the College.

President Carter spoke very encouragingly of the work. He insisted that it was better to get a High School education in a Christian school than that supported by the State. There is in the force at Clark College a mind to work. This is true both with faculty and students—the religious atmosphere there is exceedingly fine.

Dr. W. T. Lowrey represented Blue Mountain College. He said Blue Mountain School is a fine school. He had a letter stating that the graduates from Blue Mountain are superior students exceeding many girls coming from Universities. The letter was complimentary in the highest terms of the work of Blue Mountain College.

Dr. R. J. Bateman was granted a short time to speak of Meridian College. It is owned by a group of Baptists from the First Church Meridian. Dr. Bateman is the President of this College. The college has a splendid exhibit in the Sunday school annex. He said he wanted only the overflow after the other schools are filled.

Thursday—Morning Session

The day opened bright and fair. The devotions were led by Chas. Nelson, of Shannon. Song, "Higher Ground." Prayer was offered by J. F. Tull, of New Albany. A quotation exercise was had when many passages of the Book were given.

The Convention was called to order by President Rowe.

The committee on W. M. U. work was presented by E. L. Runyard.

The report was very complimentary in expressions of regard for the women and their work. The report states that Missionary classes have been organized in more than three-fourths of the societies. There are 671 reporting societies in the state. There have been 933 certificates granted since last May. 119 obtained first official seal, and 38 second official seal. Besides these among themselves 200 young women have taken certificates—50 boys and

girls, and 14 sunbeams. Their ambition on this line is—an average of ten members in a mission study class in each organization in the state. Mississippi was given two banners for having made the greatest per cent increase during the year in the number of Sunbeam bands and girls Auxiliaries. They now have the following organizations in the State among the young people: 84 Y. W. A.'s, 36 R. A.'s, 64 G. A.'s, 191 Sunbeams—making a grand total of their organizations 1040. The women have sent four girls to our colleges for the purpose of preparing them to enter the Training School later and then to take up the mission work in some needy field. They are also furnishing supplies in the shape of bandages, towels, garments, etc., for the Cathleen Mallory Hospital in China.

Recommendations:

1. That our Convention Board consider carefully the question as to whether our young women who have definite calls for missionary service, and are not able to maintain themselves in college, should not receive assistance from our Board for the best educational equipment.

2. That our committee on nominations consider the placing some women on our Boards of Trustees in Colleges for women, orphanage and Hospitals.

3. That the State Board consider carefully the placing of a religious leader in each of our colleges for women, owned by the Convention, the salary to be paid out of the State Mission funds.

The committee to report on the report of the State Mission Board report, re-echoed the contents of that Board. All this will come to the readers of the Record when the pamphlet which carries that entire report is printed. The report was discussed by R. A. Kimbrough, chairman of the committee, A. L. O'Brian and J. N. McMillin.

The President read a telegram from the Alabama Convention:

Decatur, Ala.
W. F. Yarborough,
With joy we greet Mississippi—Jno. 15:8.

M. M. WOOD, Sec'y.

A. J. Dickinson, of Tupelo, read the report on Foreign Missions. Christ initiated the great foreign missionary movement. He came not for any people or nation, but for the world, and allusion to His Second Coming sets forth His Universal Mission.

The Foreign Mission Board combines physical relief with evangelism through medical missions, and in addition to this has made definite plans for physical relief work in Europe and Asia. In view of these facts we recommend that special voluntary offerings made by our people for such work be sent through our State Mission Board to be forwarded to the Foreign Mission Board, whose representatives will both relieve physical needs, and evangelize the lost.

A telegram from the Louisiana Convention was read:

Lake Charles, La.
Mississippi Baptist State Convention:
Louisiana Baptists return cordial greetings, fifteen volunteers called out last night.

DURHAM and PEVETO,

Secretaries.

Dr. W. F. Yarborough read the report of the committee on the 75 Million Campaign. The report says the real test of our faith is that as we have made a beginning we must "now complete the doing also." The enthusiasm with which we pledged must be re-enforced by a dominant masterful purpose to sustain through the tedium of the years that unflinching loyalty which spells final victory. We must win. "To doubt would be disloyalty, to falter would be sin."

The following recommendations were offered:

1. Keep faith with churches by holding fast to our promise that their pledges to the 75 Million Campaign will take care of the regular work. If urgent causes demand relief make these as far as possible individual rather than church matters.

Thursday—Afternoon Session

W. H. Williams led the devotions. Prayer was offered by M. K. Thornton. Sung "Amazing Grace."

The committee on the Orphanage reported through C. M. Morris.

For twenty-three years Baptists of Mississippi have maintained a home for dependent orphan children. This home is now located at Jackson, with property valued at \$125,000. The home can comfortably accommodate 225 children and there are at present 140 children at the home. 900 children have been accommodated since the home was established. The committee recommend that the friends of the Orphanage continue to send in produce of all kinds, clothing, canned goods, etc. It is hoped that some brother and sister will build a hospital to cost some five or ten thousand dollars, as a memorial of some loved one where the sick of the name may be treated and where, especially, children who come to the home in bad health or with diseases may receive attention until cured before they are inducted into the home.

Dan W. Moulder, and J. R. Carter spoke of the work done at the Orphanage.

The committee on nominations reported. W. H. Morgan, chairman, read the report.

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The other Boards have about the same personnel as last year, with necessary changes. The convention will meet at Jackson, Tuesday. Preacher for Convention sermon, E. J. Caswell, alternate J. F. Tull.

The report on Ministerial relief was simply read. No one seemed to care enough to discuss it and so it passed by in silence. There has been some increase in the amount paid recently to the aged preachers. There are 47 beneficiaries. These beneficiaries have been receiving their checks with perfect regularity, and with a considerable advance over former years, also that they receive their checks, bi-monthly, instead of as was formally the case under convention board management. These brethren and sisters, their dependent widows are receiving from \$12.00 to \$18.00 per month. The committee would suggest to our sisters in the W. M. U. Societies, that they write Miss Lackey, and secure the name of one the dear old brethren of some poor dependent widow, and that in addition to what money may be sent to the board, that the society pack a box of such things as the beneficiary will need and send to them, either Christmas or Thanksgiving. J. G. Gilmore chairman, read the report.

* R. A. Cooper presented the report on Hospitals. The Baptists own the hospital in Jackson. Recently they

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have secured the services as superintendent of M. K. Thornton, who seems to be peculiarly fitted for this work. He holds services every week with the nurses, and mingles freely with the patients.

On motion it was determined to print the report in the Baptist Record that every one can read the entire report, and pastors are urged to call attention to this report.

Two hospitals—one at Jackson, and the hospital at Memphis give assistance to those needing aid.

A resolution was offered:

Whereas, Paul teaches the brethren in Rome and in Corinth to avoid giving offense to a weak brother by eating meat offered to idols, or any other thing whereby he is made to stumble; and

Whereas, Gambling and dancing, or encouraging others to do so, offend the majority of the churches represented in this Convention, and

Whereas, These things are condemned by the New Testament and by the moral and religious leaders of our day; therefore,

Be it resolved, (1) That it is the sense of this convention that gambling and dancing are contradictory to the teachings of Christ and the Apostles, and are foes to the spiritual life; (2) that we set our disapproval on these things; (3) that these resolutions be spread on the minutes and printed in the papers.

Dr. J. T. Henderson, secretary of the Layman's Movement, addressed the Convention on the work of the laymen. He held the Convention for 30 minutes, quoting and commenting on the 15th Psalm.

Committee on Resolutions presented its report as follows:

We approve and recommend the adoption of the following resolution, offered by Bro. Bryan Simmons:

Resolved that the president of the Convention appoint a committee of five to study the question of the basis of representation and manner of selection of the membership of this Convention Board and bring new recommendations concerning this matter to the next Convention.

We do not recommend the adoption of the resolution of Dr. I. P. Trotter in regard to the appointment of a program committee for next session.

We present the following resolution for your adoption:

Resolved, that we express to the First Baptist Church of this city and its pastor our deep and sincere gratitude for the kind and cordial welcome given us and for the gracious and splendid hospitality extended us, for they have done all that thought and effort could do for our comfort and convenience.

We also gratefully appreciate the hearty and beautiful co-operation of the other Baptist churches and all the good citizens of the city with the efforts of our hosts to make our stay here delightful. To the secular newspapers we would also express our appreciation of their courtesy and kindness in publishing daily reports of our sessions.

Adjourned. Prayer by Dr. J. T. Henderson.

East Miss. Dept.

CONVENTION CHIPLETS.

From every corner of our great State came men and women who love God, to do business for him.

Drs. T. B. Roy, of the Foreign Mission Board, E. C. Dargan, of S. S. Board, G. S. Dobins, of Southern Baptist Seminary and G. H. Crutcher, of the Baptist Bible Institute, were present and added much to the meeting.

The sermon was preached by Dr. R. J. Bateman, of Meridian First church, subject: "The Uplifted Christ." "The only hope of a world out of joint is the uplifted Christ preached with power and emphasis," he said.

The grand old man, Dr. A. V. Rowe, was elected president of the Convention. He was for 21 years State Mission Secretary. "To serve my Lord and do my duty is my greatest desire," he said. He has wrought well. God bless him.

Two young men, Dr. John Carter, President of Clark College, Newton, and Bro. M. P. L. Love, of Hattiesburg, were elected Vice Presidents of the Convention.

Dr. Ray spoke on the great program of the Foreign Mission Board. The Board is expanding greatly in its work under the 75 Million Campaign. Five more districts in China, Siberia from east and the west, more work in Palestine are some of the new works.

The Foreign Mission Board is entering Spain, Armenia and many other countries in Europe where the Baptist opportunity is simply marvelous. The new program will reach one-third of the human race. Marvelous is the expansion contemplated. Have you a part in this great work?

We can win Brazil if we will. We have 25,000 members there already. Shall we not go in and win this great nation for Christ, our Lord? So says Dr. Ray.

More than half the churches in foreign fields are self-supporting and own their church houses. These churches are strong and worthy plants for kingdom work. The Board expects to build 50 new churches, several homes for missionaries and send out 500 new missionaries.

The prayer session at the close of Dr. Ray's address was one of very high spiritual power. God was very close and we felt that He heard the appeal for the work.

Bro. Wilson, representing the Near East Relief, spoke for the Armenian peoples. He sees in these people the offspring of those who were converted under the preaching of Paul the Apostle. Their present oppression under the heathen Turks is nothing less than the effort of the devil to exterminate Christianity in that country. There are 200 or-

phanages being supported in Armenia and 200,000 orphans, children of these martyred heroes of Christian religion, are being supported. Will you not help some in this great work?

By unanimous vote of messengers and visitors Dr. Lawrence was requested to remain as Secretary of State Missions and not leave the State as reported that he is contemplating to do. We can't well let him go now.

The colleges reported a good year in progress. Our system of colleges four in number, is one of high order and thorough work. Each of the institutions has a very competent and capable president and a good corps of teachers.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital took in \$45,000 for hospital work and a profit over operating expenses of \$2,800. This is a good showing since there were 175 charity patients treated during the year.

Pastor Whitfield's welcome address was unique and interesting. He has been pastor here for ten years and has taken in 100 members per year. The house of worship is an up-to-date workshop. Bro. Theo. preaches patience to his people, hence his long pastorate with this long suffering people.

Dr. N. W. P. Bacon responded in his inimitable way to the address of welcome. He pleads quietly to being a miracle worker—"turning chicken and beef into Bacon." His general corporeal appearance convinces one of the truth of this confession.

The Convention Board's report was one of the best ever made. Our apportionment of the 75 Million Campaign amounting to \$700,000 has been \$1,000.00 over raised this year. This is fine. \$5,475.00 reported as profit on The Baptist Record and Baptist Book Store.

There is a whole association of Choctaw Indian Baptists in the State consisting of seven churches. Rev William Jimmie is associational missionary and is doing a good work. Every one of these churches has made pledges to the 75 Million Campaign and are paying up promptly. Come on you white Baptists who have no part in this work and don't let these recent savages lead you.

One hundred and twenty-two young preachers are preparing for their work in Mississippi College and Clarke College. The Ministerial Board is now out of debt. Pay up your pledges promptly and keep it so.

Dr. E. C. Dargan discussed the S. S. report. This report brought out many facts relative to the progress of this work. 700 seals and diplomas were delivered this year.

Dr. Dargan: "I am 68 years old to-day and I have been in the Sunday school for more than 60 years consecutively. There are 20,000 Baptist Sunday schools in the South with 2,000,000 students. I'm glad

I've been here and I hope you ain't sorry. Good bye!"

The report on B. Y. P. U. made the statement that more than 100 new unions have been organized during the last year and six county B. Y. P. U. federations. This work is now fast growing. Try a B. Y. P. U. in your church.

The male quartet of the Baptist Bible Institute rendered several choice songs. Two of these young men are training for the gospel ministry and two for gospel singers.

Report by Board of Education: "Christianity without education is doomed. The first free schools in America was organized by John Clark, a Baptist, in 1640. A college that is not Christian is in reality not a college at all. We need a State Educational Secretary for full time."

During the past year two nice gifts were made to Mississippi College: \$5,000 by Mr. I. N. Ellis in memory of his son who lost his life in France and George and Miss Mattie Leavenworth \$7,500 in memory of their deceased father. Worthy gifts worthily bestowed.

Dr. James said: "Baptists in the past have not over evangelized, but have under emphasized education. But we are coming in for that now."

Every one present was sad because Secretary Lawrence is considering a move from our state. It was hoped that he would not go. He has made one of the best Secretaries of Missions in the whole South.

The four colleges came in for considerable discussion. All are in good shape, while a little gloom was indulged in concerning the prospects of ministerial education, financially speaking. We must not fall our preacher, boys.

The writer, of course, had the best home in McComb. He was placed in the noble home of Brother and Sister W. J. Benson. Tat noble servant of God, Elder T. J. Moore, of Wesson, was his companion in sharing the hospitality of this good home.

The report on Women's Work was excellent. The amount of gifts and number of mission study classes exceeded anything previously reported. Our women do things while we men are talking about it.

The State Mission Board was requested to consider the matter of putting a Christian worker at our State colleges to look after the Baptist students. This is a needed work.

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OBITUARY.

MRS. E. J. DOUGHERTY.

At twelve forty-five P. M. on Sunday, Oct. 24, the soul of our dear mother took its flight to its immortal home, a mansion which God has prepared for those that love Him.

As she often did, she lay down to rest while Papa read to her; her eyelids closed gently, as though in peaceful slumber and almost before he realized it, she had answered the call of the great Shepherd, "Come up higher."

What a beautiful way to die! Just to fall asleep in Jesus. We are thankful to our Heavenly Father that He in His goodness and mercy, granted to our sainted mother the sweet privilege given to but few of His servants, for without one pain or struggle she crossed over the river of death into the plains of unfading light where she saw her pilot face to face and heard His commendation: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Her character as a Christian, a wife, and mother are worthy of emulation and today she lives and speaks by her pure and upright life; always patient in sickness or health in sorrow or joy, the beauty of her heart ever shone through all she said and did.

Only God can measure the real worth of her long and self-sacrificing life. She was nearing her 76 mile post. Unselfishness was a distinguishing characteristic of her; she always kept self in the background, and found her chief delight in serving her husband and children. She seemed to be somewhat of a mind reader and always knew our wishes and our needs before they were expressed.

Another characteristic of her's was her simple faith in her Savior, whom she loved and served daily. She would, as it was each morning slip her hand into His and walk trustingly each day's appointed pathway, be it thorny or flowery, crooked or straight, ever striving toward that goal of "The measure of the Statute of the fullness of Christ."

During all my childhood days in the dear old home never did I hear her make one unkind remark about any one; her thoughts were ever upon things that were true, honest, just and lovely.

Her earthly career has ended, but the influence of kind words spoken and good deeds done will be felt by generations yet to come. She was a friend to the friendless, her love and sympathy for any one or any thing in trouble was beautiful to see.

Though our home is overshadowed with a cloud of sorrow, yet we know that God in his infinite wisdom knoweth what is best, and doeth all things well, and for His own glory we can say from our hearts, "Thy will be done."

Heaven has never seemed so near before as it does now, that she is there, and we look with faith to that heavenly home with sweet anticipation, knowing that she and our dear Aunt, who so recently left us, await our coming.

In reality we grieve not for her,

for we know to her "Tis sweet to be with Jesus, to hear His loving voice and feel His blessed presence," but it is the vacant place that her going has left in our hearts and home that make us sad.

"She is not dead, she has but passed Beyond the mists that blind us here,

Into the new and larger life Of that serener sphere."

ASLEEP.

The Meadville Baptist church lost one of its most faithful members when the Master saw fit to call from our midst to His presence, brother Emanuel. Brother Emanuel was nearly seventy nine years of age, sixty of which he spent as a faithful attendant to his Master's will. We have lost from our town and county a man that was a patriot, model citizen and our church has lost one of its faithful members. His aged wife is the one that must feel keenly that sting that death does bring. He leaves several children and a host of friends to mourn his departure. He shall rise again.

PASTOR W. A. GREEN.

CANTON.

On Nov. 10th, the Canton church closed the best meeting held here in many years. The whole town and community received a great spiritual uplift and blessing. In the church we had a real revival. There were forty odd who joined our church, and some have already joined other churches. About half were received on profession of faith, and the others by letter and statement. There were some notable conversions of men past middle life.

We had Dr. H. M. King of the Second church, Jackson, to do the preaching. It is needless to say that he is a great preacher and pastor, for his nine years of phenomenal and abundantly successful services with his great church in Jackson are a living demonstration of his ability and power. But he is also an ideal helper in a revival meeting. He is spiritual, evangelistic, genial, sympathetic, courageous loyal to Christ and gospel, and the church, the institution ordained of Christ, for the evangelization of the world. He is God's friend, the pastor's friend, in fact everybody's friend. We are so grateful to God for him, and to his noble church for lending him to us for ten days.

We were deeply grieved, and greatly handicapped, because Bro. Madison Flowers, who was to have led in the singing, because ill on the second day of the meeting, and was not able to be with us longer.

Since Sept. 1st, we have received eighty-five new members. Many of them by profession and baptism. We have splendid equipment and up to date, graded Sunday school, three B. Y. P. U's., the best W. M. U. to be found, a fairly representative prayer meeting, and a wide outlook for plenty of hard work in the future.

J. C. ROBINSON, Pastor.

Rev. L. B. Crawford, of Ala., has accepted a call to the church at Richmond, Ga. His work at the new field begins December 1. Georgia is the state of his nativity.

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NEWS IN THE CIRCLE

Rev. T. L. Holcomb, of Columbia, is aiding Pastor W. R. Cooper in a fine meeting at Summer. The congregations are unprecedented. There have been seventeen additions at last account.

Rev. E. C. Stearns, of Louisville, Ky., recently assisted Pastor W. E. Mitchell in a meeting at Hodgeville, Ky. There were 36 additions—24 for baptism.

Evangelist J. B. DeGarmo has just closed a great meeting with the Twenty-second and Walnut Street church. Something over 100 additions to the church. There was deep spiritual power and a great uplift. The church was much renewed and the pastor happy.

Rev. B. F. Smith, of Hornbeak, Tenn., is now at work on his new field at Okmulgee, Okla. The conditions are hopeful.

Dr. H. L. Martin, of Indianola, has just closed a great meeting with the Immanuel church, Hattiesburg. There were 122 additions to the church, and many others joined other churches in the city. Pastor W. S. Allen is rejoicing.

Rev. S. W. Kendrick after three years successful work with the First Church at Hot Springs, Ark., has resigned. It is not stated what his future plans are.

The meeting held with the Port Arthur church, Texas, by Evangelist W. E. Farr formerly of Gloster, recently closed with sixty-five additions, about one half of them by baptism.

Evangelist V. B. Starnes and helpers are holding a meeting at Apple Springs, Texas, after five day work there had been 38 additions. The railroads entering the town have allowed reduced rates to any one attending the meeting. This is a little unusual.

At Burkburnett, Texas, there has been a great spiritual awakening. Rev. T. J. Saxon doing the preaching. There were 100 additions to the church. Saxon and his singer John Harris live at Muscogee, Okla.

The Baptists of New Mexico recently held a very profitable Convention at Roswell. Rev. Buren Sparks, of Santa Fe, was re-elected president. Prof. J. W. Cook, of Rusk, Texas, was elected president of Montezuma Baptist College at Las Vegas. Secretary J. W. Bruner was re-elected corresponding secretary. The work the past year has been eminently successful.

The meeting at Canton closed last night with 45 new members added to the church. Dr. H. M. King, of Jackson, preaching. Rev. Jno. C. Robinson pastor, and his faithful choir assisting. The meeting prov-

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I.

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II.

"THE HARVEST IS PLENTIFUL."

The precious grain is not only ripe but bountiful. The field is the world and the world field is ready for the harvesters. Millions would answer the call now if it were made, but souls and opportunities will be lost if we wait.

III.

"THE LABORERS ARE FEW."

Just a few more Baptist missionaries for 400 millions in China; a few dozen for 75 millions in Latin America; 22 for 20 millions in Japan; 21 for 150 millions in Africa; 2 for 20 millions in Italy.

In the new countries of Europe and the Near East in

which we are just beginning work there are native preachers as follows: Roumania, 12; Hungary, 42; Jugoslavia, 9; Spain, 6; Palestine and Syria, 2.

IV.

"PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST TO SEND FORTH LABORERS"

Some two score Baptist colleges and seminaries in the South are crowded with students whom we are training for Christian service. Prayer should be made that hundreds of these, perhaps thousands, should set their faces to the ripe harvest fields in other lands.

V.

"HOW SHALL THEY PREACH EXCEPT THEY BE SENT?"

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